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FROM THE REBEL STATES.

The Anticipated Movement Against Wilmington and Goldsboro.

A GROWL AGAINST IMPRESSMENT.

Rebel Views of Northern Sentiment.

AUCTION PRICES IN RICHMOND.

We have files of Richmond papers to the 16th inst., inclusive. We find the following scattered items in North Carolina in the *Richmond Whig* of that date:

WILMINGTON, Wednesday, Jan. 13.

All quiet here. It is believed that the fleet and land forces have left Newbern and Fort Macon, leaving, in probability, Goldsboro and Wilmington simultaneously. All non-combatants have been requested to leave town.

KINSTON, Saturday, Jan. 10.

The State Journal has address from Kinston of this date. Forty regiments of Abolitionists has newborn territory in the direction of Whitestown, crossing Neuse Creek. A courier from Mac. Mazzanoke reached Kinston this morning, and says the enemy, 40 to 50 thousand strong, are advancing toward Goldsboro, crossing at Cabin Creek.

In connection with the above, the following extract from a communication of Gov. Letcher to the Virginia Legislature is interesting:

Recently many of the soldiers of Virginia in the direction of Kelly have gone to North Carolina, and also from points of danger, where they can very be engaged in every and bloody battles. All the information point this morning certainly to one or more great battles on the coast of our sister State, in which Virginians are to play. I trust, no inconsiderable part. Our soldiers absent from home and family, without shoes and clothing will be greater sufferers, for the sick and wounded will be neglected, and it will be very easy, as well as our pleasure, to provide for their comfort, and for the preservation of their lives.

A GROWL AGAINST IMPRESSMENT.

From the Richmond Whig.

The President, in his message, apologizes indirectly for the seizure of private property, by what he calls the "power of impressment," by alleging the insufficiency of transportation. He recommends that the exercise of this power be guarded by judicious provisions against perversion or abuse, and to secure the registration of laws. This is all very well, but it would have been far more consistent with a Government of freedom and law if, before exercising this tyrannical power, the right to do so had been obtained from the law-making authority. There has existed no necessity for its exercise at all. It has always been upon the people of Virginia to vouch that such necessity has existed. As a general rule they have willingly sold their produce to the Government, at the Government's own price—even when that price was half the market price. In other cases, the parties have not refused to sell, so far as we have heard, but only demanded the market value, which the Government refused to give. *For the sake of a few dollars, the Government set aside all law and justice, and resorted to force to get such articles of their property, while millions were being lavished upon favorites.* It is a striking illustration of the injustice of the proceeding, that the price at which the Government is impressing flour is from two to three dollars less than the price paid by the Government to the Speculators.

We would suppose that common sense would dictate that a Government like ours, dependent for its very existence upon the affection and confidence of the people, would spare no pains to preserve that confidence and affection. But, so far from this, the opposition seems to exist *to harass and alienate the people by every species of petty tyranny.* This has been especially the case with respect to the great agricultural population, on which, at last, rests the sole hope for the national salvation. Nothing but their wholly unbounded devotion to the cause, could have induced them to submit in quiet to the violation of law and wanton invasion of their rights. It is difficult to assign a reason for this hard and unjustifiable policy. Possibly the solution may be found in the vast number of *Jews and Yankees, who, having no sympathy for our people, and no regard for their feelings and interest, have insinuated themselves into the management of our affairs.*

That system of impressment so overbearing at times, operates unequally, and, consequently, unjustly and injuriously. Persons residing near the armies, or convenient to the railroads and canal, are those only who feel its burdens. While they are called upon to sacrifice half the value of their property, neighbors a few miles distant go scot free, or have their gains enhanced in price by the Government seizure. Our people are willing to do anything for the cause, but they have a right to demand that the burdens should be equal, and imposed upon all alike, and by the law of the land. Their property is at the service of the Government, but let it be taken on fair terms, and for such compensation as the Government can give.

We do not write this to indicate any disaffection which exists; but in the hope of inducing a modification on the part of Congress as will tend to appease it. Our people have been accustomed to law, and they abhor the unnecessary intrusion of military violence. Congress cannot pass a law on the subject which does not recognize "just compensation" for private property appropriated to public use, and which does not provide, in defining that compensation, to some extent recognize the depreciation of the currency. A law like that of the State of Virginia would meet all the demands of the Government, satisfy the people, and above all, preserve our character as a Government of liberty and law.

CHANGE IN NORTHERN SENTIMENT.

Making Gov. SEYMOUR's Message its text, the Richmond *Whig* discourses as follows:

If one might judge Yankees on the same principle as he judges of the rest of mankind, it might be safe to conclude that some convulsion was impending. *The Fall elections in Ohio, Pennsylvania, and especially that of New-York, have been followed, and apparently foretold a revolution in words and actions, both in Government and people.* For eighteen months, a reign of terror, cruel and relentless, prevailed throughout the Northern States. The freedom of the Press and of speech was abolished, all the liberties of the citizen were in abeyance, arbitrary arrests by telegraph, and imprisonment without trial, were the order of the day. But as soon as SEYMOUR was elected Governor of New-York, the prison doors were opened, the victims of tyranny were set free, and it was given out that no more arrests in the loyal States would be made. From this, it would appear that Lincoln thought there was something more than a mere formality in that election—that it meant something real, threatening and practical. At the same time, the Northern papers, who are endowed with the most sanguine tempers of any set of blackguards since the days of the Roman Flacc, and who had been dumb as oysters during the whole Reign of Terror, recovered the use of their tongues and their capacity for vituperation. They have not been sparing in the exercise of this talent, and no rebel print can compete with some of them in the bitterness and ferocity of the attacks upon their late idols. This, too, may mean something. As free speech and tyranny cannot long coexist, it may be that the downfall of the tyrants may be at hand.

While this remarkable change has come over the Yankee Government and press, *the army appears to have felt the influence.* At this very time, several of the most distinguished of their Generals are arraigned before Courts of Inquiry, some for disobedience of orders, some for incompetency and some for treason, and Generals are summoned as witnesses to testify against Generals. The spectacle is refreshing. If it were any one else than Yankees, who are engaged in this internecine war, we should not hesitate to predict a catastrophe. Very high authority tells us that a house divided against itself must fall. But the Yankees are exceptional. The are *sui generis*, and are governed by rules not applicable to Christianized communities. Throw a cat into the air as you may, and he will fall upon his feet. So it may be with the Yankees. Distrust and vituperation and wrangling among themselves may not be attended with the same evil results as with others. The result must be certain.

FROM FREDERICKSBURG.

Correspondence of the Richmond Whig.

FREDERICKSBURG, Friday, Jan. 9, 1863.

How long before there will be a change in the situation here is, of course, dependent on the movements of the enemy. The report that 40,000 had gone into Winter quarters at Matthew's Point is not well substantiated, though, so far as is known here, the main body of the army is still on the opposite side of the river, not much farther from this place than it was before the battle. The over-cautious Lincoln and his Generals will frustrate their designs sufficiently early to make another "On to Richmond" movement. One of the enemy's pickets observing one of our men with a hoe or spade, apparently digging, a day or two since, said: "You needn't be diggin' up that ground, we shall occupy it very soon." The facetious Yankee he doubtless correctly conceived the real intention of his Commander.

A flag of truce came over to-day. Unfortunately, there are many of our friends in Stafford County within the enemy's lines who did not participate the happy condition of affairs, consequently, applications are made every day to the General commanding the communication from the other side—Gen. SUMNER—for permission to cross the river. The usual agreement of accomplishing this is as follows: Application is made in writing to the General, mentioning the side from which the applicant wishes to come or go, and sent to headquarters for approval. If approved, it is forwarded, by flag of truce, to the other side for a similar order. This sometimes occupies several days. In the case of an applicant who wishes to go from one other side temporarily, permission is rarely granted. The Yankee officers who occupy the flag of truce manifest a disposition to converse freely and behave well with ours—sometimes over a flask of the "*aut Caesar, aut nihil*," which they often bring with them.

It is difficult to delineate, or to express, in adequate terms, the privations and distress entailed upon the refined and intelligent population of this once happy, quiet, prosperous and desirable city. Refugees are constantly through the descending country and along the railroad from this city to Richmond. Furniture and other household articles, saved from the ruthless hands of the Yankee vandals, are being continually conveyed to "Hamilton's Crossing," and the trains conveying to far more comfortable to meet the hearty congratulations made by the few remaining men and women whose ties or otherwise accompanied by contrasts, which exert every effort to "keep in heart." The demands of the army are great, now and *future* seeing as he should by and by, and

The weather for several days has been most delightful—beautiful, balmy days succeeded by gorgeous moonlight nights.

DESTRUCTION AT HOLLY SPRINGS.

From the Richmond Whig, Jan. 16.

We have already published a statement from the correspondent of the New-York papers, who estimates the Yankee loss at Holly Springs at $2,000,000. The statement of some citizens of that place, with which we acquaint our readers. It is gratify to be reported that the $100,000 note of a leading count not the amount stated, but we have the satisfaction of knowing that, for the most of them, the Yankee losses will suffer greatly. The Southern account, from an eye-witness, says:

The surprised army numbered 3,500 men and 200 commissioned officers, who were completely surprised. And then commenced the work of destruction. The extensive buildings of the Mississippi Central Depot, the station house, the engine houses and immense store-houses, were filled with supplies of clothing and commissary stores. Outside of the depot the barrels of flour, estimated at a half mile in length, was piastred and fifty feet through, and seven feet high. Turpentine was thrown over this, and the whole mass of stores, amounting, upon the Court-house and public buildings, literally filled all capacious establishments were filled, ceiling high, with clothing and ordnance stores. These were all fired, and the explosion of one of the buildings, in which was stored one hundred barrels of powder, knocked down nearly all the houses on the south side of the square. Surely enough, a scene of devastation was newly made, presented to the eye of man. Glance at the gigantic estimates:

1,000,000 Enfield cartridges and other ordnance stores, valued at $1,500,000, including 5,000 rifles and 2,000 revolvers.

100,000 suits of clothing and other Government stores, valued at $200,000; 5,000 barrels of flour and other commissary stores, valued at $500,000.

$1,000,000 worth of sundries, for which invoices to the amount were exhibited, and 1,000 bales of cotton and $500,000 worth of sutlers' stores.

As there was no time to remove these immense stores, the buildings which contained them, they were all destroyed, comprising our Mississippi Central Depot, engine-houses and store-houses, the most elegant and capacious in all the South, the court-house, livery stable, and the largest buildings on the public square.

While the capture of the camp, paroling of the prisoners and destroying of the stores was going on, the Texas Rangers, comprising the Ninth, Sixth and Third Legions, became engaged with the Michigan cavalry, and drove them pell-mell, through town, and run them off North, with considerable loss to the Abolitionists, and a loss of thirty killed and wounded on our part.

The Yankee cavalry cut down the banner with which they, crying out, "There's home at the Fair Grounds, Chase's Bank, kill them!" for Gorgon sake." One lady said: "The Yankee commander of the guard came to my house; come and catch him;" and a search was instituted, but without success; when the lady was asked that he was there, concealed, and finally, after much coax, the gallant (save the mark!) Col. MERRIT, the intrepid Yankee commander of Holly Springs, was pulled out from under a bed, and presented himself in his nocturnal habiliments to his captors.

MORGAN'S OPERATIONS IN KENTUCKY.

From the Winchester (Tenn.) Bulletin, Jan. 8.

Gen. MORGAN's command returned to Tomkinsville Saturday last, in their campaign in Kentucky, on Bacon Creek, Nolin, Elizabethtown, Shepherdsville, (eighteen miles from Louisville), and other bridges were totally destroyed for the distance of eighty miles. The trestle-work at Green River was 14 MORGAN's Hill, twelve hundred feet long and ninety feet high, and burnt and completely destroyed.

Approaching Elizabethtown, Gen. MORGAN received a communication from the commanding officer of the Yankees to surrender his force, as he had him (MORGAN) completely surrounded. Gen. MORGAN, in reply, ordered the Federal commander himself to surrender, and, upon his refusing to do so, opened three batteries upon the city, after having given timely notice to the women and children to leave. After a bombardment of two hours and a half, the Federal force of seven hundred men surrendered, securing to us a vast quantity of arms and Government stores. The city was considerably damaged by the bombardment, but no citizen was injured.

In the fight at the trestle Gen. MORGAN captured another regiment, with all their arms and stores.

The number of prisoners captured at Hartsville, Rolin, Bacon Creek and other places, amounted to two thousand.

At Springfield Gen. MORGAN was surrounded by twenty-six thousand of the enemy, and for awhile it seemed his situation was desperate, but he escaped with his entire command.

In moving from Springfield to Campbellville Gen. HOLLIMAN, commanding the Federal forces and harassing MORGAN's rear, was killed in a hand to hand encounter with Lieut. BLEDSOE. The fight occurred in a creek, and the body of Gen. HOLLIMAN was dragged from the center and carried to an adjacent house. Two more of his officers were taken from the house—Gen. MORGAN's aide—Capt. TUNNIS, Lieut. BARROW and a private. HOLLIMAN was attended by two of his staff—Capt. EDWARDS and his orderly. A fight at once ensued, in which Gen. HOLLIMAN was killed by Lieut. BLEDSOE. Capt. EDWARDS and HOLLIMAN's orderly were captured by Capt. TUNNIS. The fight was a hand to hand affair, and the combatants were in the creek at the time.

The destruction of the railroad in succession from Green River to Shepherdsville, a distance of 75 miles. Shepherdsville is 10 miles from Louisville.

AUCTION PRICES IN RICHMOND.

One of the most extensive auction sales of dry goods which has occurred in this city took place yesterday, (Thursday,) at the warehouse of Messrs. KENT, PAINE & CO. The following is a list of the prices of the prominent articles:

Black and white prints, 32@34; fancy do., $1 32@$1 07½; gray cassimere, $4@$7 50; satinet, $4 50@$4 75; 3-4 ruled cloth, $6@$6 50; 5-4 do., $11; Scotch ginghams, $2; country jeans, $4 75; white flannel, $2 50@$3 50; red do., $2 75; red twilled do., $2 12½; Coats' spool cotton, $3 25@$3 75; American prints, $2 50@$3; English do., $1@$1 75; patent thread, $3 50@$10; black cloth, $10; black French delaines, $4 25@$4 75; gray poplins, $2 75; black alpacas, $3 75@$4; 7/8 brown sheetings, 40c.@50c.; 4-4 do. 70c.; American delaines, $2 62½; English do., $2 50; note paper, $30 ⅌ ream; cap, $30@$41; letter do., $34@$37. The sale commenced at 10 o'clock A. M., and continued with brief intermission until 7 o'clock P. M.

DEATH OF HON. JOHN BRANCH.

Hon. JOHN BRANCH died at Enfield, North Carolina, on the 4th inst., in the 82d year of his age. He was formerly Governor of that State, a member of the United States Senate, Secretary of the Navy under Gen. JACKSON, and Territorial Governor of Florida.

IMPORTANT FROM NASHVILLE.

Arrival of Transports with Supplies.

Exaggerated Reports Regarding the Operations of the Guerrillas.

Forrest Not in the Vicinity of Nashville.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Sunday, Jan. 18.

Twenty of the fleet boats have arrived here. They were convoyed by two gunboats.

At the wharfs the boats *Big Hatchie*, *City* and *Tennessee* were fired into by the enemy with rifles.

Three men on board the *Tennessee* were wounded.

A large mail came with the boats.

Boats laden with army supplies have also arrived.

On Wednesday the rebels robbed the steamer *Hastings*, containing a number of wounded and other provisions.

The rebels stripped the wounded of all their clothing.

FROM LOUISVILLE.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sunday, Jan. 18.

Capt. COOMBS, of the steamer *Tyre*, has arrived here.

He reports officially that there are great exaggerations in the recent spectral dispatches from Nashville.

He says that he was hailed by a body of rebel cavalry and ordered to remove his crew and wounded men, and put them on board the steamer *Hastings*, which, with the *Forest*, had been captured.

The gunboat *Slidell* surrendered without firing a gun.

Capt. COOMBS denies that the guerrilla FORREST is anywhere in the vicinity of Nashville, and says that there are no 4,000 or 5,000 rebels thereabouts.

Military circles have exhibit some anxiety on account of the reports of large rebel reinforcements from Gen. LEE's army in Virginia, having reached Shelbyville.

THE ARKANSAS POST VICTORY.

The Gallant Part Taken by the Gunboats.

Report of Acting Rear-Admiral Porter.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 19.

The following was received to-day at the Navy Department, dated Cairo, Jan. 16, 10.30 P. M.:

WESTERN SQUADRON, MISSISSIPPI SQUADRON, STEAMER WINONA, JAN. 11, 1863.

Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy:

SIR: The gunboats *Louisville*, *De Kalb*, *Cincinnati* and *Lexington* attacked the heavy fort at the Post, on Arkansas, last night, and silenced the batteries, killing twenty of the enemy. The gunboats attacked again this morning, and dismounted every gun, eleven in all.

Col. DUNCANSON, late of the United States Navy, commandant of the fort, requested to surrender to the Navy. I received his sword. The army cooperated on the land side.

The forts were completely silenced, and the guns, eleven in number, were all dismounted in three hours. The action was at close quarters on the part of the three iron-clads, and the firing splendid. The list of killed and wounded is small. The *Louisville* lost 18; *DeKalb*, 17; *Cincinnati*, none; *Lexington*, none; *Rattler*, 6. The vessels, although much cut up, were ready for action in half an hour after the battle.

The light-draft *Rattler*, Lieut.-Commanding WINSOR, and the other light draft, joined in the action when it became general, in aid the *Black Hawk*, Lieut.-Commanding E. H. FOSTER, with her 12-pounder guns. Particulars will be given hereafter.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed,) DAVID D. PORTER,

Acting Rear-Admiral.

THE MISSISSIPPI EXPEDITION.

Sherman's Failure at Vicksburgh, and the Causes of It—The Original Plan Not Carried Out—The Campaign Against the Correspondence—Vicksburgh to be Again Attacked.

From Our Special Correspondent.

CAIRO, Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1863.

Not the bloodiest, but by far the most important struggle of the campaign in the West, has just been concluded, with a result as decided that not the slightest doubt remains as to who are the victors. Much time and blood have been expended, and much treasure wasted, with a result that brings the blush of shame to the cheek of every loyal citizen in the Union, and which has sent a tide of exultation through the veins of every rebel in the South.

Hitherto, where went the banners of the Northwest there went victory. Her Generals, undivided by political intrigues, and constructively escaped from jealousy, have bat their armies with their eye single to one object—the extinguishing of the rebellion. Commencing at Cairo, they drove the rebels back, forcing them from point to point down the Mississippi and up the Cumberland and Tennessee Rivers, till they gained possession of the largest and best portion of the Valley of the Mississippi; and this they have held, with but slight changes, up to the present.

But there seems to have been a change, and, instead of the unanimity which has hitherto prevailed, there have been divided and antagonistic interests, which have given us a shameful defeat. There is no doubt of the fact that Gen. SHERMAN, although a gallant and able officer, was carried away by jealousy of other commanders, and, induced by this feeling, threw his comparatively small army against Vicksburgh, in order that he might have the credit of capturing that formidable stronghold.

It was intended that BANKS, GRANT and SHERMAN should simultaneously invest the place—Banks from below, Grant by the rear, and Sherman in front. The plan, if carried out, could scarcely have failed of success; and, in order to have done this, Sherman, before commencing the attack, should have assured himself that the other columns were within supporting distance. He neglected his precautions, and, sooner than otherwise to have lost the credit he had not arrived, he threw his forces against the heavy batteries in his front, and was met by an overwhelming defeat.

With their rear uninterrupted, the enemy was able, when he learned the point of our attack, to strengthen it by hurrying in thousands from Jackson and other points and not threatened from below. The result has granted the lower portion of his works were sent forward to assume with the other thousands in repelling our attacks. And then for four days our heroic fol of gallant fellows fought and endured in the Yazoo swamps, or were burdened in vain efforts to carry formidable works, defended by forces that possessed Nor Banks attacked them at the same moment, the troops that defended the works from Walnut Hills to below Vicksburgh could not therefore spared to help force the works in front of Chickasaw Bayou, and his GRANT threatened their rear, they would never have employed their reliefed night and day in throwing regiment after regiment to the support of the bloodstained point.

Convinced, finally, that his forces unable to capture Vicksburgh would not be profited, and absolutely thoroughly demoralized, SHERMAN ceased his attack upon Vicksburgh and withdrew his Army, collected that his efforts were unsuccessful, and acknowledged in their conception and carrying out.

There is another phase of the expedition that deserves special mention. While SHERMAN sought immortality in his attack upon Vicksburgh, HARRIS, his Adjutant-General, has earned enduring fame by his tremendous onslaught upon that formidable system of works known as the Fort. SHERMAN's gallantry in storming the heights above Chickasaw Bayou was only equaled by the gallantry of HARRIS in his dash upon the rebel fort. If the one attempted to destroy plans to gain possession of the rebel works, the other no less untiring in arranging strategic combinations whereby he might gain possession of letters directed to the Fort. SHERMAN's report is lengthy and interesting, but above a failure; HARRIS's is shorter, not less interesting, but is accompanied by an overpower of success. Hands (probably) as follows:

SIR: I have the honor to report that, while our brave fellows were gallantly dashing death on the battle-field, I, unknown to your aide, was engaged in dashing mail-bags, with a view of intercepting letters whereby information of our defeat would be conveyed to the Fort and people of the North. Fearing that orders to newspapers might be imparted to other parties than the proprietors thereof, I was obliged to break open a large number of private letters, by which, if I did not deal the information I sought, I became possessed of many family and other secrets of the most interesting character. I found a large number of letters to the Fort, all of which I woke open, read and destroyed, with one or two exceptions. During the time I was not engaged in examining the letters of officers, soldiers and correspondents, I employed myself in getting the names of members of the Press, with a view to arresting them and drafting them into the ranks until the end of the war, in pursuance of General Order No. 8; but was checked therefrom, as they, learning my business, absented themselves and could not be found.

I have the honor, &c., J. H. HAMMOND,

Major and A. D. C. General.

SHERMAN's failure is counter-balanced by the success of HARRIS—let the world see nations with history in the efforts of the latter to offset the fault of it shown in the operations of the former, and then the expedition, as a whole, will not be so disgraceful to the master-minds which conducted it.

It is difficult to tell what will be the effect of a change of commanders at the present time. From a majority of those who habitually meet at West Point, we have heard no complaint against the commander of the expedition. McCLERNAND is undoubtedly an athlete of the first order, but it is believed that he lacks the necessary training and skill to make his strength effective. No man has a greater confidence of danger than he, nor is there any man superior to appreciate odds, or more determinately, than McCLERNAND; the only question is, is he whether he KNOWS how to manoeuvre his men properly, either in going late or coming out of a fight. These points are raised by those who oppose his appointment, of course they cannot be settled until the new commander develops his abilities in some coming battle.

As soon as matters on White River are settled, operations against Vicksburgh will be renewed on a scale commensurate with the task. Whether the attack will be made entirely from the river side, I do not know; but from the fact that GRANT has arrived at Memphis, and that transports from the Ohio and Mississippi rivers have been seized and ordered below, it seems probable that the attack will be made in front. I have always been of the opinion, and see no reason to alter it now, that Vicksburgh should be taken by a flank movement, in the same manner that we took Columbus, viz., by cutting off their line of communication eastward. This, although no small job—for the railroad is fortified at every accessible point between Vicksburgh and Jackson—would be infinitely easier than to carry the monstrous fortifications at Vicksburgh. GALWAY.

Naval Affairs.

THE IRON-CLAD OZARK.

The iron-clad steamer *Ozark*, building at Mound City, has had her ribs put up, and will in a few weeks begin to assume the aspect of a finished vessel. Considerable curiosity exists in the navy about this vessel, owing to the fact that Chief Engineer WINANS, who was called home from the Mediterranean Station to test a new iron-clad annihilator, is at work putting his new invention on board. The *Ozark* does not belong to any of the classes of iron-clads heretofore printed in order. She is of the same general description as the *Tuscumbia*, and others of that kind. There is still another type in course of construction, some of the vessels of which have not, we believe, been commenced up to this time.

THE FLORIDA.

The steamer *Florida*, for the command of which Capt. BARNEHAM, of the *Monitor*, has been detailed, is under orders to prepare for active service as soon as possible. Workmen are now employed on her at the Brooklyn Navy-yard, and she will be finished in a short time. The *Florida*, although a purchased steamer, is strongly built and has the reputation of being fast. Other officers of the *Monitor* beside Capt. BARNEHAM have been ordered to her. She rates on the register with many of the regular navy-built steam sloops-of-war.

THE PLAN OF CERTAIN IRON-CLADS CHANGED.

Instructions have been sent from the Navy Department to the different contractors building the last batch of iron-clad vessels to make a considerable change in the plan of their construction. They were to be longer than the nine batteries of the *Monitor* type, and to draw very little water. Now, however, they are to be made more formidable, and will be of deeper draft than was at first intended. There are other alterations from the original plan to be carried out, which it is not expedient to print. These crafts are all in a forward condition, and one or two of them will be launched in a few weeks in this neighborhood. They are 1,036 tons burden, will have on one turret, in which two guns will be mounted. The names of this class of iron-clads are:

Vessels.	Omitted.	Where Building.
Mahopac	In frame	Jersey City
Manhattan	Ribs up	Jersey City
Tecumseh	Ribs up	Jersey City
Canonicus	Keel laid	Boston
Catawba	Building rapidly	Cincinnati
Manayunk	Keel laid	Boonville
Tippecanoe	Building rapidly	Cincinnati

Capt. ERICSSON furnishes the plans for these ships, the general details of whose construction will be the same as their predecessors. None of them, however, can be made available for any immediate hostilities.

IMPORTANT FROM WASHINGTON.

THE FINANCES OF THE GOVERNMENT.

The $100,000,000 Treasury Note Bill Signed by the President.

The Report of the House Ways and Means Committee.

ITS PROBABLE IMMEDIATE PASSAGE.

The Entire Army and Navy to be Paid at Once.

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT LINCOLN.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I have signed the joint resolution to provide for the immediate payment of the army and navy of the United States, passed by the Houses of Representatives on the 7th and by the Senate on the 14th inst. The joint resolution is a simple authority, discretionary, however, under the existing circumstances, to a direction to the Secretary of the Treasury to make an additional issue of $100,000,000 in United States notes. In our money is needed, for the payment of the army and navy. My approval is given, in order that every possible facility may be afforded for the prompt discharge of all arrears of pay due to our soldiers and our sailors.

While giving this approval, however, I think it my duty to express my sincere regret that it has been found necessary to authorize so large an additional issue of United States notes, when the circulation and debt of the expanded kinds together have become already so redundant as to increase prices beyond calculation, thereby augmenting the cost of living, to the injury of labor, and the cost of supplies, to the injury of the whole country. It seems very plain that continued issues of United States notes, without any check to the issues of expanded banks, and without adequate provision for the raising of money by loans, and for funding the issues, so as to keep them within due limits, must soon produce disastrous consequences; and this matter appears to me so important that I feel bound to avail myself of this occasion to ask the special attention of Congress to it.

That Congress has power to regulate the currency of the country has mostly benefit of doubt, and that a judicious measure to prevent the deterioration of this currency by a considerable extension of bank circulation or otherwise is needed, seems equally clear. Independently of this general consideration, it would be unfair to the people at large to depart from the long established practice of substituting their credit for the property of the public creditor.

In order to raise money by way of loans most easily and cheaply, it is clearly necessary to give every possible support to the public credit. To that end it without question, in which cases, subscriptions to loans, and all other ordinary public dues, may be paid, to amount, if not quite indispensable. Such a currency can be furnished by banking associations authorized under a general act of Congress, as suggested in my message at the beginning of the present session. The security of this circulation by the pledge of the United States Bonds, as herein suggested, would still further facilitate loans, by increasing the present, and creating a future, demand for such bonds.

In view of the actual financial embarrassments of the Government, and of the, greater embarrassment, sure to come, if the pecuniary means of relief is not afforded, I feel that I should not perform my duty by a simple announcement of my approval of the joint resolution which proposes relief only by increasing the circulation, without expressing my earnest desire that measures, such in substance as those I have just referred to, may receive the early sanction of Congress. By such measures, in my opinion, will payment be most certainly secured, not only to the army and navy, but to all honest creditors of the Government, and satisfactory provisions made for future demands on the Treasury.

(Signed) ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

OUR SPECIAL WASHINGTON DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 19.

THE GOVERNMENT FINANCES.

The Committee of Ways and Means this morning discussed the suggestions made by Secretary CHASE to the Sub-Committee on Saturday, for the amendment of the Finance bill, and finally agreed unanimously on their adoption, with the exception of those relating to Banks. These amendments will be reported to the House to-morrow morning, and incorporated into the bill of the Committee, which is expected to pass without opposition, as Mr. HOOPER's bill will not be pressed. The text of the first three sections, as amended, reads as follows:

A Bill to Provide Ways and Means for the Support of the Government.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, from time to time, on the credit of the United States, a sum not exceeding three hundred millions of dollars for the current fiscal year, and six hundred millions of dollars for the next ensuing year, and to issue therefor coupon or registered bonds payable at the pleasure of the Government after twenty years from date, and of such denominations, not less than fifty dollars, as he may deem expedient, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, in coin, and he may in his discretion dispose of such bonds at any time upon the best terms he can obtain, for lawful money of the United States, and all the bonds and Treasury notes issued under the provisions of this act shall be exempt from taxation by or under State authority. *Provided*, that there shall be outstanding of bonds, Treasury notes and United States notes, issued at any time under the provisions of this act, no greater amount altogether than the sum of nine hundred million dollars.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized to issue on the credit of the United States three hundred million dollars of Treasury notes, bearing interest, payable semi-annually in lawful money of the United States, at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable any time not exceeding three years from date, at the Treasury of the United States, and of such denom-

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THE McDOWELL COURT OF INQUIRY.

Highly Important Documentary Evidence.

FORTY-FOURTH DAY.

EMPLOYMENT OF GEN. BURNSIDE AND GEN. SIGEL.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Thursday, Jan. 15, 1863.

Brig.-Gen. Sophia King is first by the Court.—

Questions by Gen. McDowell.—Q.—At what o'clock on the 26th of August was you ordered to march from your bivouac near Buckland Mills?

A.—I was ordered to march at 3 o'clock in the morning. I had crossed the bridge at Broad Run, and was a very short distance from it when I turned off from the Warrenton turnpike to go by the way of Haymarket. The order brought me by Capt. Wade-

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Questions by Gen. McDowell.—State if your official position and connection with the Government were such, at the time, as to enable you to know, or to give you good grounds for judging, as to Gen. Mc-

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ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

On the issuing of that order there must have been some plan from Gen. McClellan, proposing some other mode of operation. I have not that plan, and am unable to produce it, but I have a paper, evidently from the same in hand Jan. 6, which I will lay before the Court. It is as follows:

THE PRESIDENT TO GEN. M'CLELLAN.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, Feb. 3, 1862.

Major-General McClellan:

MY DEAR SIR: Yes, and I have distinct and different plans for a movement of the Army of the Potomac. You propose to move down the Chesapeake, up the Rappahannock to Urbana, and cross and occupy the territory of the railroad to York River. Mine is to move directly to a point on the railroad southwest of Manassas.

If you will give his satisfactory answers to the following questions, I shall gladly yield my plan to yours:

1. Does not your plan involve a greater expenditure of time and money than mine?

A. Whether it is a vitally more certain by your plan than mine?

2. Warwick is a victory more valuable by your plan than mine?

3. If not would it not be less valuable in this, that it would break no great line of the enemy's communications, while mine would?

4. In case of disaster, would not a safe retreat be more difficult by your plan than by mine?

Yours, truly,

A. LINCOLN.

The President subsequently appears to have yielded his plan to that of Gen. McClellan, but in doing so, he issued this order, dated March the 8th:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, March 8, 1862.

PRESIDENT'S GENERAL WAR ORDER NO. 3.—Ordered, that no change of the base of operations of the Army of the Potomac shall be made without leaving in and about Washington such a force as, in the opinion of the General-in-Chief and the commanders of all the army corps, shall leave said army absolutely secure.

That no more than two army corps (about fifty thousand troops) of said Army of the Potomac shall be moved on route for a new base of operations, until the navigation of the Potomac, from Washington to the Chesapeake Bay, shall be freed from enemy's batteries and other obstructions, or until the President shall hereafter give express permission.

That any movement as aforesaid, on route for a new base of operations, which may be ordered by the General-in-Chief, and which may leave Washington above upon the Chesapeake Bay, shall begin to move from the Bay as early as the 10th day of March inst., and the General-in-Chief shall be responsible that it do move as early on that day.

Ordered, that the army and navy authorities take immediate effort to capture the enemy's batteries upon the Potomac, between Washington and the Chesapeake Bay.

(Signed,) ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

L. THOMAS, Adjutant General.

That order led to a conference of the general officers commanding the Army Corps—the report of which conference is dated March 13, and is as follows:

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, FAIRFAX COURT-HOUSE, March 13, 1862.

A council of the Generals commanding Army Corps, at the Headquarters of the Army of the Potomac, were of the opinion:

1. That the enemy having retreated from Manassas to Gordonsville, behind the Rappahannock and Rapidan, it is the opinion of the Generals commanding Army Corps that the operations to be carried on will be best undertaken from Old Point Comfort, between the York and James Rivers, upon Richmond, provided:

2. That the enemy's vessel, the *Merrimac*, can be neutralized.

3. That the means of transportation sufficient for an immediate transfer of the force to its new base can be ready at Washington and Alexandria to move down the Potomac; and

3. That a naval auxiliary force can be had to assist, or aid in silencing the enemy's batteries in York River.

4. That the force to be left to cover Washington shall be such as to give an entire feeling of security for its safety from menace. UNANIMOUS.

II. If the foregoing cannot be, the army should then be moved against the enemy behind the Rappahannock, at the earliest possible moment, and the means for reconstructing bridges, repairing railroads, and stocking them with material sufficient for supplying the army should at once be collected, for both the Orange and Alexandria, and the Aquia and Richmond railroads. UNANIMOUS.

(Note.)—That with the forts on the right bank of the Potomac fully garrisoned, and those on the left bank occupied, a covering force in front of the Virginia line of 35,000 men would suffice.

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A total of 35,000 men for the defence of the city would suffice. SUMNER.

The plan alluded to in that paper drew from the War Department, from Mr. Stanton, Secretary of War, communicating the order of the President the following paper dated March 13, 1862.

WAR DEPARTMENT, March 13, 1862.

To Maj.-Gen. Geo. B. McClellan:

The President, having considered the plan of operations agreed upon by yourself and the commanders of army corps, makes no objection to the same, but gives the following directions as to its execution.

1. Leave such force at Manassas Junction as shall make it entirely certain that the enemy shall not repossess himself of that position and line of communication.

2. Leave Washington entirely secure.

3. Move the remainder of the force down the Potomac, choosing a new base at Fortress Monroe, or anywhere between here and there; or, at all events, place such remainder of the army at once in pursuit of the enemy, by some route.

Seven o'clock, forty minutes.

EDWIN M. STANTON, Secretary of War.

The order just read recites the conditions in the order of the President of the 8th of March, under which the new base of operations might be taken up. This repetition of the conditions shows the importance attached to them by the President.

After Gen. McClellan left the front of Washington, it was observed in the War Department that his orders for the movement of the troops did not appear to contemplate leaving.

HEADQUARTERS MILITARY DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON, Washington, D. C., April 2, 1862.

To the Hon. Secretary of War:

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following condensed statement of the forces left under my command for the defence of Washington:

Infantry	18,232
Artillery	4,394
Cavalry, 6 companies only, mounted	840
Total	23,477
Deduct sick, and in arrest and confinement	1,455
Total present for duty	19,022

I have no mounted Light Artillery under my command. Several companies of the Reserve Artillery of the Army of the Potomac are still here, but not under my command or at for service.

From this force I am ordered by Gen. Mc-

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ordered to send 4,000 men to relieve Gen. McClellan's Division, and one regiment to relieve a regiment of Hooker's Division.

[illegible] Gen. McClellan has taken the battery of light artillery under his command; states there are several companies of reserve artillery still here, but not under his command or fit for service.

Gen. Wadsworth further reports that nearly all the regiments are in a very disorganized condition, some of them having been relieved from brigades which have gone into the field, in consequence of their unfitness for service, the best regiments remaining having been selected to take their places. Two heavy artillery regiments and one infantry regiment, which had been drilled for some months as artillery service, have been withdrawn from the forts on the south side of the Potomac, and their places supplied with new infantry regiments entirely unacquainted with the duties of that arm, and of little or no value in their present position.

If there was need of a military force for the safety of Washington within its own limits, then, according to the report of Gen. Wadsworth, it would seem to be entirely inadequate. The number of the opinion expressed by the council of the commanders of army corps of the force necessary for the defence of the Capital, though not numerically stated, and of the force represented by Gen. McClellan as left for that purpose, we are of opinion that the requirements of the President that this city shall be "left entirely secure," not only in the opinion of the General-in-Chief, but that of the commanders of the army corps, also, has not been fully complied with.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) THOMAS M. VINCENT, Assistant-General.
E. A. HITCHCOCK, Maj.-Gen. Vols., U. S. A.

I would state here that a portion of the forces referred to in Gen. McClellan's report, Gen. Blenker's Division, had not been detached from Washington, ordered out of the Department, or was soon to be, by the President himself, and could not properly be considered a part of the force left for the defence of Washington, in any sense, and was not to be detached even in the Shenandoah Valley itself. It was to go to what was called the Mountain Department, under Gen. Fremont.

It will be observed presently that the President, in a letter to Gen. McClellan before to a removal of Blenker's Division, as if it had been determined upon with the assent of Gen. McClellan, the contrary notwithstanding. When I would ask the reason why Blenker's Division from the front of Corinth, I expressed my opinion to the Secretary of War that it ought not to be done. He acquiesced in my view, and desired me to go with him to the President to explain it to the President, which I did, but without success.

On returning to the War Office, the impression of this point seemed to be so great that I made a written statement of my views, March the 5th, which I gave to the President, the substance of which, as showing the position of affairs, at that time, in consideration of where Gen. McDowell was retained with his corps in front of Washington, I will submit the paper to the Court if they desire. (The Court assented.) It is as follows:

COPY OF A PAPER HANDED TO THE PRESIDENT BY GEN. HITCHCOCK.

MARCH 11, 1862.

The main fact of the enemy retreating from Richmond through Chattanooga and Corinth, to Memphis, and at Corinth there is a connection South.

Gen. Halleck (at St. Louis) is acting upon the west of this line; Gen. Buell is acting upon the east. Immediate commander, having Corinth in view, as one object, and some point at or near the Cumberland Gap as another object.

Gen. McClellan (before Yorktown) has Richmond for his object, with Washington under his sole keeping.

The immediate interest of the war is connected with the above operations, and all adjacent operations are incidental.

It is necessary to break the line of communication between Richmond and Corinth.

This may be done by Buell; and if he should occupy the Cumberland Gap, near the railroad, this object will be sufficiently accomplished.

If some point east of the Gap be also made an object, (as proposed by the President,) it will require a large force to reach and maintain it, or that force might be destroyed by the enemy.

Instead, therefore, of employing a force necessary for entering a point in East Tennessee, it might be better to employ a less force in the protection of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, (the duty assigned to Gen. Fremont.)

From present indications it might be better, instead of sending to the Mountain Department all of the force desired by its commander, to divide that force—one portion go to him for the protection of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, the other portion immediately south of it, and the other part to strengthen McClellan's right, now occupied by Shields; the route from Richmond in that direction being open to the enemy, who, though not likely to take it, might be invited by its weakness to make some desperate attempt, similar to one already made by Jackson upon Shields.

As matters stand (from McClellan's left is known to the enemy; hence, nothing is more natural than a blow on McClellan's right. Nothing has intervened since that made a few days since to prevent a repetition of it with a larger force.

If McClellan should fall at Yorktown—not likely to happen—but if he should fail, what would be the movement of the enemy? It might be a desperate attempt to turn the right of the Army of the Potomac (the Shenandoah Valley.)

This should be guarded against by a part of the force called for by Fremont, instead of sending that force to cut the Richmond and Knoxville Railroad—the success of which might even aid in forcing the enemy to make some desperate attempt on the right of Washington.

This effort on my part failed, and that division left said Shenandoah Valley. Gen. Banks had been ordered into the valley on account of the attack that had been made by Jackson upon Shields. This still further reduced the force in front of Washington. I might, perhaps, to state that Blenker did not leave the valley for some weeks. He was under orders which I could not succeed in having revoked, and therefore his force could not be counted on for the defense of Washington. I had these particulars in my mind in signing the joint report with Gen. Thomas. I considered, further, that the opinion of the four commanders of the corps (Sumner, acting forth the force necessary for the defence of Washington, and that front in general, but that it did not include the forces in the Valley of the Shenandoah; and that the troops in the Valley could not be withdrawn without subjecting the National cause to great danger, was my clear and decided opinion. Looking, therefore, to the troops that might be counted on for the defence of Washington, I could not make out 35,000 as a unity force, including the garrisons of the forts south of the river, after allowing the usual deductions for the sick, &c.

When these reports came before the President he was manifestly under great anxiety. It was his declared wish to give to Gen. McClellan all the force he called for, and all the means that could be thrown into his hands to enable him to execute his purpose, but finally, after much consideration, he determined to order one of the two remaining corps, then in front of Washington, to be detained here, leaving the selection with the Secretary of War, who designated the corps, commanded by Gen. McDowell. As soon as this was reported to Gen. McClellan, he complained of it as an interference with his command, calculated to lead to the most dangerous consequences. He asked for two of the three divisions composing that corps—Franklin's and McCall's—and if he could not get them, he wished to have certain extra Franklin's Division. The President consented to the War Office in person, and held a discussion of some length with several of the Chiefs of Bureaus, in the War Department, in the presence of the Secretary of War. Hearing from memory to recite particulars of that discussion. I was present and heard it. Some opinions were averse to sending any part of that force to the Peninsula. I think that one and one only, officer was in favor of sending the whole of the force. I was decidedly in favor of it myself if I thought the city would be safe with the two divisions, if Franklin should be sent away. I replied that I thought it would be safe. He then wrote the order for Gen. Franklin's Division to go to Gen. McClellan. Gen. McDowell was not present at that discussion.

(The letter from the President to Gen. McCLELLAN was published in the Times of Saturday.)

I believe I have given all the information I possess on that point, showing the reason why Gen. McDowell was detained in front of Washington. I wish to be understood as stating very positively that every step taken in that matter was indeed, as I believe, by great public necessity, and with very great reluctance, so far as Gen. McClellan was concerned, on the part of the Executive in giving orders for the detention of McDowell. It was the manifest desire of the President and of the War Department to send McClellan all the means in their power to enable him to make successful his campaign.

Questions by the Court.—When did the enemy evacuate Centreville and Manassas?

A.—In answer to that question I will state that I have seen an official report of Gen. McClellan, dated Fairfax Court-House, March 10—11 P. M., in which he states that the enemy had at that time left all their positions.

Q.—State in this connection the effect of the movement proposed by Gen. McClellan by Urbana and the York River, referred to in the letter by the President, dated Feb. 3, 1862, before the evacuation of Centreville and Manassas by the enemy, and contrast it with the movement proposed by the President, stated in the same letter.

A.—I can only give my personal opinion in regard to this. I have no—I have never had any doubt myself but that the movement proposed by way of Urbana, and by way of the Peninsula, was injudicious. It has always appeared to me that if the enemy had known

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of the [illegible] on the other hand, [illegible] the enemy [illegible] to make an effort against Washington. I have attached very great importance to the possession of Washington. Not so much as a military point, but from its political position. [illegible] the Government of the United States; the Government is here; the archives of the nation are all here; it is the depository of the original Declaration of Independence; the Constitution of the United States. It is the residence of the Foreign Ministers. These and many similar considerations give to this city a special importance. The capture of it, even for a short time, would have injured the cause of the Country more than the loss of many battles at a distance from this point. I have always thought that the true mode of advance upon the enemy was something like that proposed by the President, keeping the army in striking distance of Washington, in the effort to make an effectual blow on the enemy in his positions. The details of such a movement I have not particularly thought about, and have had no occasion to do so.

Questions by Gen. McDowell.—So far as you know, what has been the character of the service rendered by Gen. McDowell—loyal or otherwise?

A.—I have known Gen. McDowell many years. I have seen him on duty in the highest relations with that honored chief, Lieut.-Gen. Scott. I have kept my eye upon him since his unhappy misfortune, and not a shade of suspicion has ever crossed my mind touching his entire loyalty. From my knowledge of Gen. McDowell, it would be impossible for me to conceive of his being disloyal. I regard him as a true and faithful patriot.

Gen. McDowell asked the Court to apply to the War Department for the minutes of a consultation of Corps Commanders, held in the city previous to that held at Fairfax Court-house, the report of which had been read.

Ordered that said minutes be applied for in the War Department.

Q.—Viewed in a military light, state the responsibility of the movement of the Army of the Potomac to the Peninsula, without leaving the force directed by the President to guard and cover Washington. Much was the fact, and the reason which such fact would impart for detaining the corps of Gen. McDowell, in April last?

A.—It was the opinion of the President, emphatically, that his order of the 8th of March with respect to the safety of the Capital had not been complied with by Gen. McClellan. In speaking of it himself, or relating to it, rather, in his letter of the 9th of April, he uses the delicate language that his instructions had been neglected. I certainly was of the same opinion. In plain terms, the order had been disobeyed. And I held it to be a military principle that whenever an officer departs from the instructions of his superior, he takes upon himself the entire responsibility of all the consequences; and in the present case, had the President been with original instructions, he performed an act of high duty to which Gen. McClellan would properly take no exception. And if in that case he detained the force of Gen. McClellan, and compelled him to meet any emergencies whatever, the responsibility was with the President, and not with Gen. McClellan.

Q.—Do you know if the Secretary of War approached Gen. McDowell for failing to fulfill the duty imposed on him as a superior commander by the duty imposed on him in the matter of the force to be left for the protection of the Capital?

A.—I have no recollection of it.

Col. Schriver, Chief of Gen. McDowell's Staff, was called by Gen. McDowell, and laid before the Court the following paper:

HEADQUARTERS OF THE RAPPAHANNOCK, FAIRFAX COURT-HOUSE, April 10, 1862.

GENERAL: Gardes, No. 1 sub. The paper which, as Military Governor and Commander of the District of Columbia, Brig.-Gen. Wadsworth may have received from the headquarters of the Army of the Potomac, have in no way been restricted or modified in the creation of the Department of the Rappahannock.

2. In addition to the limits of his command, as hereinbefore defined, Brig.-Gen. Wadsworth will, in the absence of the Major-General commanding the Department, have charge, and do whatever may be needful in that part of the Department of the Potomac, south of the Rappahannock, comprehended within the counties of Fairfax, Loudon, Fauquier, Prince William, Virginia, as are not now, and shall not hereafter be occupied by the divisions of Franklin, McCall and King.

By command of Maj.-Gen. McDOWELL.
(Signed,) SAMUEL BANCE, A. A. G.
Official—L. SCHRIVER, Col., Chief of Staff.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

The Desecration of the Dead of Sullivan-street Church.

The Trustees of the Church Before the City Inspector.

The Charges Against Them Fully Substantiated—They are Rebuked and Put Upon Their Decent Behavior.

The account published exclusively in yesterday's Times of the disgraceful manner in which the dead bodies are being removed from the vaults of the old Sullivan-street Methodist Episcopal Church, under the direction of its former owners, the present Trustees of the Methodist Church in Fourth-street, caused a good deal of excitement among the friends of those whose remains, were thus ruthlessly violated, as well as in the public at large, which was shocked, as well it might be, by the narration. The investigation had before City Inspector DELAVAN yesterday fully substantiated every statement published in the Times, and, if possible, made the matter still worse.

In compliance with the summons of the City Inspector, the three Trustees who act as a Committee of the Church for the removal of the bodies, appeared before Mr. DELAVAN, at 12 o'clock yesterday, to give an explanation of their conduct. Their names are WEBB, LOVEJOY and LEE—all of them aged, and apparently respectable citizens.

Mr. DELAVAN read to them the complaint made before him, of the shameful manner in which they were conducting the removal of the bodies, and expressed his astonishment that they should permit such proceedings. He said the application for the permit to remove the bodies was made to him by a highly respectable citizen and friend of his, Mr. GIBBY, and it was expressly stipulated that a discreet and prudent person should be employed to superintend the removal. He also called the attention of the Trustees to the following provision contained in the permit itself:

"The removal of remains of deceased persons intended as above shall be made in all respects with a just regard to the legal rights and interests of the living and relatives of the deceased, and of all persons interested therein, and such removal shall be effected in a proper and respectful manner, having consideration for the feelings and wishes of all persons interested therein, either as relatives, friends or with a due regard to the public.

"The person or persons to whom this permit is granted to report at the completion of the same the number, or probable number, of persons whose remains have been disinterred under the provisions of this permit and to return the same to the City Inspector.

"This permit shall at any time be revokable at the pleasure of the Mayor or City Inspector or either of them if deemed advisable on a public consideration, or to preserve the public health.

DANIEL E. DELAVAN, City Inspector.
GEORGE OPDYKE, Mayor.

In answer to the question from the City Inspector what explanation they had to make in reply to the complaint, one of the Trustees said that they denied in the main all the allegations of the complaint.

Mr. DELAMATER and Mr. ROBERT A. MILLER were then called, and testified that all the statements made in the complaint (which were the same as published in yesterday's Times) were strictly true, and that they saw the outrages committed with their own eyes.

Mr. MILLER, who made the complaint, stated that he went there out of curiosity, having heard from a friend how the work was being conducted, and that while he was down among the vaults, he saw the heads twisted from three bodies which were too long to be packed in the big boxes, and that several of the boxes were filled with bodies in his presence, and in every case the workmen, including Mr. WEBB, who was there superintending the job, were obliged to jump upon the lid of the box to press the corpses down, so as to enable the lid to shut. In one case he said because Mr. WEBB himself jump upon the breast of one of the skeletons, and trash in the ribs, so that the bones could be heard to crack through the entire apartment. He also stated that the workmen tore out the linings of the coffins, and he was told that these, together with the plates, were to be given to the workmen as perquisites. After the testimony of Mr. MILLER, the City Inspector said he was satisfied, and did not desire any further evidence.

Mr. WEBB stated, in answer to questions from Mr. DELAVAN, that on account of feeble health he had not been able to give his personal superintendence to the work all the time since they commenced removing the bodies, but it had been his desire, as well as that of all the Trustees, that the work should be done in a decent and proper manner.

Some more desultory conversation ensued between the City Inspector and the Trustees, which resulted in a total failure on the part of the latter to disprove the statements of the complainant, or to justify themselves in the least for the disgraceful manner in which they had permitted the work to be done. It appeared from the whole interview that the Trustees, without any intention to do wrong, had by their negligence suffered a set of ignorant laborers to manage the job pretty much to suit themselves, and for the sake of saving expense had failed to employ an undertaker to see that the work was properly done.

The City Inspector censured them severely for this negligence, and said that if he found any further complaints he would immediately revoke the permit. He said, also, that from what he had heard, since he had held the office, that any complaint of this kind had been made before him, and he would refer them to the law. He intended to have had some intended the work of removing the bodies, he should refer them to continue it, but he should send a special inspector from his office to see that it was done in a decent and respectable manner, and the operations must be carried on under his directions.

The trustees expressed their approval of this mode of disposing of the case, and took leave of the inspector with considerable positive change depicted in their countenances, and doubtless with a more enlightened understanding of their duties, as trustees of a Christian Church, to the memory and to the mortal remains of their late brethren in the flesh.

Committees of the Board of Councilmen.

At the meeting of the Board of Councilmen, last evening, the following Committees were appointed by the President, Robert Jones, Esq.

Ellis House—Cook, Henry, Riley. Arts and Sciences—Gaw, Hopper, Murray. Assessments—Riley, Russell, Joice. Relief Pavements—McVay, Haviland, Brice. Cleaning Streets—Sandford, Brandon, McGrath. Croton Aqueduct—Healy, McConnell, Brady, Donelson and Charities—Webster, Brady, McVay. Ferries—Murray, Brice, Keenan. Finance—Brice, Hays, Webster. Fire Department—McGrath, Healy, Fitzgerald. Docks and Gas—Brandon, Murray, O'Brien. Lands and Places—Haviland, McGrath, Cook. Law Department—Gaw, Webster, Riley. Markets—Keenan, Fitzgerald, McGrath. National Affairs—Joice, Webster, McConnell, Haviland, Brandon. Ordinances—Brady, Gaw, Fitzgerald. Police—Fitzgerald, Cook, Riley. Printing and Advertising—Keenan, Cheeseman, Healy. Public Buildings—McVay, Murray, Brice. Public Buildings—Fitzgerald, Riley, Gaw. Railroads—Houghtaling, Hopper, Brady, McConnell, Sandford. Repairs and Supplies—McConnell, Houghtaling, Green, Gaw, O'Brien. Roads—Russell, Joice, Brandon. Salaries and Offices—Hayes, Keenan, Green, Sowers—O'Brien, Sandford, Brady. Streets—Hayes, McVay, Brice. Street Openings—Green, Russell, O'Brien. Taxes—Sandford, Cook, Riley. Wharves, Piers and Slips—Hopper, McVay, Houghtaling. Joint Committee on Accounts—Sandford, Murray, Fitzgerald.

Redemption of Postage Stamps.

TO-DAY IS THE LAST TO GET YOUR SOILED POSTAGE-STAMPS REDEEMED.

The Postmaster-General is inexorably determined not to extend the time for the redemption of soiled postage-stamps. To-day is therefore the last day, and all applicants, from 9 o'clock A. M. to 6 P. M., will be promptly served. Packages of less than $5 will be immediately exchanged, while all amounts exceeding that sum must take their turn among the hundreds of packages already received, and to count which will occupy a clerk's time of least three months. The latest estimate is that about $200,000 will be paid out for the redemption of soiled stamps and that at least $50,000 of the amount offered has consisted of stamps already used once. Of course this latter sum has not been paid, but has been saved to the Government by the keen research of the gentlemen engaged in the examination. Postmaster WALKER evinces a disposition to give the public every possible opportunity to get their old stamps redeemed, and to-day is the last day, will detail clerks enough to attend to all who come. As many as a thousand packages have been handed in and receipted for in one day, but should even double that number be presented to-day, they will be duly attended to. So ample has been the notice, and so prompt the method of dispatching business at the Post-office, that it is believed that very nearly all the spoiled postage stamps in this City will have been redeemed by to-night.

Court of Over and Terminer.

Before Judge Emmet.

CITY OBIVER, a seaman, about 21 years of age, was placed on trial in this Court yesterday, for manslaughter, in killing TOM HOUGHTON, the second-mate of the ship Francis B. Cutting, on the evening of the 26th of December last. It appeared from the testimony for the prosecution, that on the evening in question, between 6 and 7 o'clock, the deceased and John a quarrel with the accused, who was lying in his berth at the time, and that during the quarrel the accused drew a pistol from his berth and fired two shots at the deceased, both of which took effect, causing almost instant death. The testimony relative to the provocation received by the accused was somewhat conflicting, the evidence for the prosecution being that the deceased did not strike the accused, but merely took hold of him to make him keep quiet, while the defence proved that the deceased struck the accused several blows with a belaying-pin before he fired the pistol. It appears that most of the crew were under the influence of liquor at the time and had been very noisy, and the mate was endeavoring to keep them quiet. The prisoner was a stranger to the mate, having come on board the ship for the first time last afternoon. He was shown to be a man of peaceable and inoffensive character, by persons of the vessel who accompanied him to Dublin, and that it had been loaded for two months. The testimony on both sides was concluded at the adjournment of the Court yesterday, and the case will be summed up this morning. S. Y. GARVIN, Esq., Assistant District Attorney, conducts the prosecution, and the prisoner is defended by EDWIN JAMES, Esq., and his junior partner, Mr. THOMAS DUNDAY.

Weekly Report of Deaths in the City and County of New-York.

From the 12th day of Jan. to the 19th day of Jan., 1863: Men, 128; Women, 108; Boys, 120; Girls, 105—Total, 461. Adults, 237; Children, 224; Males, 251; Females, 210.

Colored Persons.			
Alcoholism	1	Premature birth	4
Brain and its mem. &c	1	Scurvy, hemorh. and diseases of the digestive organs	1
Consumption	18	Uncertain seat, and general fevers	2
Heart and blood vessels	2	Unknown	2
Lungs, throat, &c	18	Unknown	1
Old age	1	Violence, accidents, &c	12
Skin, &c., and eruptive fevers	2		
Total			48

The number of deaths, compared with the corresponding week of 1861, and of last week, was as follows:

Week ending Jan. 20, 1862 ..... 412—Inc. 54
Week ending Jan. 12, 1863—
From acute diseases 250
From chronic diseases 149
From external causes, &c ..... 62—461
Increase this week 37

Bureau of Sanitary Inspection.

The following is a schedule of the work of the Bureau of Sanitary Inspection in the abatement of nuisances, &c., for the week ending Jan. 17, 1863:

Complaints of nuisances, &c., received	87
Complaints for which no cause existed	6
Notices for abatement served	73
Abatements of nuisances under notice	61
Sinks and water-closets cleansed	54
No. of loads of night-soil removed from the City limits	343
No. of dead horses removed from the City limits	19
No. of dead cows removed from the City limits	6
No. of dead goats removed from the City limits	6
No. of dead hogs removed from the City limits	200
No. of dead dogs and other small animals removed from the City limits	28
No. of barrels of offal removed from the City limits	1,000

Annual Meeting of the New-York Bible Society.

The Thirty-ninth Annual Meeting of the New-York Bible Society was held Sunday night in the Madison-square Presbyterian Church. After the usual preliminary services, an abstract of the Annual Report was read, giving many interesting details of the operations of the Society, which, during the past year, have been principally among the soldiers. Some 9,000 Bibles and over 20,000 Testaments had been distributed in the army. The Report also detailed the operations of the Society in the navy, and among the vessels at the port, foreign and domestic. Much had been done in the way of visitation, to supply the wants of the City. Much yet remained to be done, but the funds of the Society, of which there was a large deficit, forbade more extensive operations. The meeting was addressed by Rev. Dr. W. ADAMS, Dr. HARE and Dr. S. H. COX.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

ASSAULT UPON POLICEMEN IN THE FIFTH WARD.—We find the following upon the returns of yesterday, from the Fifth Police Precinct: About 1 o'clock on Sunday morning, Officers COLES and CONSELLY, of

the Fifth Precinct, while in the discharge of their duty, entered the liquor-store of M. Hazzemann, at [illegible] and found the proprietor and his clerk, who had [illegible] their duties, viz., the Colonel Cutler and Lieutenant-Colonel, and thereupon taken from the place, while Officer Cozzes was locked in and other would-be [illegible] Officer Cozzes ran to the Station-house for help, when Sergeant Sherry and others went to the place of the disturbance, and found men in the Hall. They then broke open the door and arrested Thomas Hanlon, the clerk, Andrew Hansen, an ex-policeman, and Harry Rose. The proprietor and other [illegible] escaped through a back window. The officers represent that their were badly treated and beaten during the [illegible].

SEVENTH FIRE IN CHERRY-STREET.—$20,000 WORTH OF LUMBER AND TWO HORSES BURNED UP.—Lloyd Aspinwall, &c.—Soaring morning, at 6½ o'clock, fire was discovered issuing from a stable, at No. 295 Cherry-street, in the lumber-yard of Messrs. Cornix & Johnson. The flames spread with great rapidity, consuming the stable and burning up two valuable horses and a light wagon. The fire then communicated to the lumber piles at hand, much of which was very dry and burned very rapidly. The firemen were promptly on hand, and worked some six hours before the flames were subdued. Messrs. Cornix & Johnson estimate their loss on lumber to be, of the very lowest figure, $20,000. Insured in the Johnson, Aster, Hamilton and Excelsior Insurance Companies for $8,000 each. The lumber-yard of A. W. Benson, adjoining that of Messrs. Cornix & Johnson, also took fire, and was damaged to the extent of $500. Insured in the Tradesmen's, East River, Mechanics' and Jersey City Insurance Companies for $2,000 each. Capt. Eastman and a number of men rendered most service in saving order, and saved the lumber-yard of people which had been threatened to the place.

EXPERIMENT LAUNCH.—To-day, (Tuesday,) at 12 o'clock, Mr. E. S. Wainscot will launch from his city-yard at Greenpoint a large North River steamboat, for Maj. T. Cornell, of Rondout. The builder has shaped the vessel after her enterprising owner. The Cornell is 200 feet long, 27 feet beam and 10 feet hold. Her engines, 75-inch cylinder, 12 feet stroke, were built at the Morgan Iron Works, and will be set up by Cauldwell & Bussick, of Jersey City. She will run between New-York and Rondout, with freight and passengers. Her accommodations will be of a superior order, and no expense will be spared to make her equal with the best boats on the Hudson. Mr. Wainscot will lay the keel for another new River steamer as soon as the Cornell is launched.

SUICIDE BY POISON.—Coroner Naumann held an inquest, yesterday, upon the body of Emma Uhlt, a German woman, who lately occupied the position of housekeeper to the family of Mr. E. F. Warren, No. 188 Bleecker-street. The jury rendered a verdict that the deceased came to her death on the 15th inst., by means of morphine administered by her own hand. A short time before the victim had her employer's chest at counting-house in Lexington-avenue in Fremont. She manifested no symptoms of insanity, however, during the time she was with Mr. Warren. The deceased was 28 years of age.

SKATING.—Although the pond in the Central Park is not sufficiently frozen to admit of the healthy recreation of skating upon its surface, the different ponds in the vicinity and the Fifth-avenue pond were crowded. Early in the day the men were filled with eager and expectant throngs anxious to buckle on the long unused skate and skim along upon the frozen surface of the pools. The ice was in excellent condition, but toward noon the sun somewhat softened it, rendering it difficult for the more accomplished skaters to perform their fantastic evolutions. To-day it is expected that the Central Park pond will be in a proper condition for skating; if so, a grand gala time may be expected.

A GENEROUS AND THOUGHTFUL GIFT.—Mr. S. S. Cauldwell, of the firm of Cauldwell & Monaco, learning or guessing that letter paper was a scarce and dear commodity in the army, sent to Capt. Ansyzene 6,000 sheets of an excellent quality of white paper and 6,000 envelopes, for distribution among the Harris Light Cavalry, now stationed near Falmouth, Va. Were such gifts more frequently made, our soldiers would soon be disabused of the impression that they do not enjoy care little for their wants and discomforts.

A. OAKEY HALL TO-NIGHT.—District Attorney A. Oakey Hall, Esq. will address the Democracy to-night, at the rooms of the Democratic Association, corner of Broadway and Twenty-second street. Mr. Hall has announced as the subject of his address "The Political Crimes of the Radicals," which topic, with the deserved reputation as an orator established by him, will undoubtedly crowd the Hall and attract good attention.

FUNAL FAIR AT THE DRY DOCK.—Yesterday afternoon, a man, named Matthew Grant, aged 24 years, accidentally fell into the hold of the steamer Morning Star, lying at the Dry Dock, East River, and was almost instantly killed. The body was taken to the Fifteenth Precinct Station-house, where Coroner Collin will hold an inquest, this morning.

JERSEY CITY SHINPLASTERS REDEEMED.—The Common Council of Jersey City has authorized the city Comptroller to redeem at once, when presented in sums of $5, the fractional notes that were issued, payable in one year after date. We hear that the Hudson County Bank; of Jersey City, and the Jersey City Bank will redeem the notes in any amount.

GRAND JUBILEE.—The colored people of this city, and their friends, are to have a Grand Jubilee meeting this (Tuesday) evening, at Cooper Institute. Speeches will be made by Rev. J. P. W. Ranson, Thomas Tuzos, Esq., and Rev. H. H. Garnet, and music by the Colored Brass Band, of Macedonia.

WENDELL PHILLIPS.—Wendell Phillips, the "silver-tongued orator," is advertised for a lecture at the Cooper Institute to-morrow evening, when he will say "Ameh to the Proclamation."

NEW-JERSEY.

REPUDIATION "SQUELCHED" IN ORANGE.—A large mass meeting of the citizens of Orange was held at Library Hall, on Saturday afternoon, at which the proposed supplement to the Town Charter, authorizing the issue of $40,000 in bonds to make good the town certificates now held by volunteers and citizens, was unanimously adopted. It is stated that an attempt was made by "secesh" sympathizers to pack the meeting, in order to secure the repudiation of the action of the Town Council, and to adopt Alderman Harrison's assessment, providing for $40,000, which would simply have paid the certificates held by the volunteers, and left the citizens holding the balance of the $40,000 in the lurch. Much indignation has been caused by the effort of the repudiators to force the town into a course of action which is justly regarded as dishonorable and dishonest.

HEAVY FORGERY.—An attempt was made, one day last week, to swindle a Wall-street broker out of the sum of $2,300 in gold, by a forged certified check on the Hoboken City Bank, and signed "C. A. Stevens." A colored man in Hoboken, known as "Andy," was employed by the swindler to carry a letter to the broker in Wall-street, and wait for an answer. The request was readily complied with, inasmuch as he was liberally compensated with a new pair of shoes. The letter contained the check, and the broker, not wishing to intrust the gold to the colored man, and to make sure that all was right, sent a messenger to the bank with the money, when the forgery was detected. So far all efforts to detect the forger have been fruitless.

NEWARK BEEHIVE FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION.—The regular monthly meeting of the above Association, was held on Friday evening last, when the following officers were elected:

President—Silas Macbeath.
Vice President—Samuel W. Clark.
Treasurer—Abner D. Jones.
Secretary—Wm. F. Lines.
Representatives—Silas Macbeath, James Courter.
Trustees—Ebenezer Francis, C. P. Hall, William O. Brisk, Ludlow Allen, C. Robeson.
Standing Committee—Silas B. Latham, A. B. Cook, Wm. F. Lines, James Conine, J. T. Day.

GOOD NEWS FOR NEW-JERSEY SOLDIERS.—The payment of the New-Jersey Regiments has commenced. Mr. Marcus L. Ward, who for a long time has, in the most generous manner, supervised the distribution of the money sent by the soldiers to their families, yesterday received nearly $10,000 from the Thirteenth Regiment, and the cheering assurance is given that more will follow in a few days from other regiments.

INAUGURATION OF GOV. PARKER.—Joel Parker, Governor elect of New-Jersey, will be inaugurated to-day, at the State House in Trenton, at 12 o'clock noon. A procession will be formed in front of Cornelius's Hotel, under the direction of Adjutant-Gen. Stockton. The military of Trenton, together with a regiment from Monmouth County, will take part in the procession. A salute will also be fired at noon.

SKATING ON BRANCH BROOK.—The "cold snap" has frozen over Branch Brook Pond, and the skaters of Newark are now enjoying superb skating. Spring Dell Lake, at Orange, also claims its quota of devotees to the popular resorts were crowded with ladies and gentlemen, who enjoyed themselves vastly.

NEWARK CITY BANKS.—Mr. WILLIAM S. KINNEY, Receiver of Taxes for Newark, announces that he will receive taxes only until Friday evening of this week, and will deliver his books to the Collectors of Arrears of Taxes, on the 26th inst., after which time delinquents will be liable to the increased cost.

"SOLID MEN" OF CUMBERLAND.—The Grand Jury of Cumberland County, N. J., which indicted a few days since, comprised 23 men, whose average weight was 213½ pounds.

WEEKLY REPORT OF INTERMENTS—NEWARK.—The report of interments for the week ending Jan. 17, shows a total of 34. Of which 20 were children under 15. Of the whole number, 6 died in the United States Hospital.

DIVIDEND.—The New-Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent, payable Feb. 2.

FROM TRENTON.

The United States Senatorship—Opposition to the Peace Resolutions—The State being Stampeded by Chauncey Burr—An Exciting Time Looked For.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

TRENTON, N. J., Saturday, Jan. 17, 1863.

Now that the Senatorship for the short term is settled, the struggle for the long term has begun, and the various candidates are upon the ground, either in person or by representative friends, to look after their interests. Ex-Senator WRIGHT is very busy, and many a caucus and consultation is held at his rooms. The Ex-Senator, evidently, is determined to win, if thankfulness or money can secure the position; yet, there are ominous mutterings from sundry quarters, which indicate that a strong opposition will be made to Mr. WRIGHT. There is an unusual number of candidates in the field, it being stated that nearly every county in the State has its man. It is quite too early in the day to speculate upon the chances of any man.

The friends of Gen. COOK are very indignant at the overslaughing of that gentleman, and the election of Mr. WALL, but all that will be arranged without doubt.

Next Thursday will be an exciting day in the Senate. The Republicans do not propose to allow Mr. HOLZMAN's resolutions to pass without a vigorous battle, and it also seems as if enough honest Democrats would vote against them to defeat them. Mr. HAYHURST, of Hudson, last year the Democratic leader of the Senate, on Thursday moved to refer the resolutions to a joint Committee of the Senate and House, who should have authority to consider and report upon all questions of national interest which should be pendent. This motion was vehemently opposed by Mr. HOLZMAN, who finally succeeded in getting his resolutions accepted, upon the ground that they had already been made the special order for the 22d. Mr. RAMBORE's action is regarded as significant of his purpose to oppose the resolutions. As part of the plot for poisoning the minds of the people of New-Jersey, it may be stated that C. CHAUNCEY BURR is devoting his spare time to delivering lectures at various places, advocating "peace." One of these lectures he delivers at Pemberton on Wednesday evening, the 21st inst. "Democratic" meetings are also announced at several points, to take action in favor of "Constitutional liberty and the restoration of the Union."

The loyal people of New-Jersey regard it as a subject for congratulation that they have thus boldly shown their hand, and announced their disgraceful purpose. It is thought a reaction has already begun which will rather force us to prosecute, until it sweeps these traitors from the political field. It would not be surprising to find every one of the candidates for Senator thrown overboard, and a good war and Union Democrat taken up, and supported by Republicans and much loyal Democrats, elected. In the discomfiture and rage of the radical faction which seems determined to "rule or ruin," at all events, it is certain that judicious measures of the party are working to that end.

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Amusements this Evening.

WINTER GARDEN—THE CORSICAN BROTHERS—THE FRENCH SPY.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE—THE ACTRESS AT DAMASCUS—DOMESTIC ELIGIBLES.

BUNTY'S ENTERTAINING INSTITUTE—(No. 539 Broadway) BUCKLEY'S SERENADERS.

GOUPIL'S GALLERY—(No. 772 Broadway,) CHURCH'S NEW PICTURE, UNDER NIAGARA.

BERTON'S GARDEN—LEAH, THE FORSAKEN.

BROADWAY MENAGERIE—COMPLETE SCHOOL OF NATURAL HISTORY.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM—MISS LAVINIA WARREN, the Queen of Beauty, Gen. Nutt, &c., at all hours—COLLINS' NAVY afternoon and evening.

BROOKLYN ARENA—CLASSIC AND MODERN GYMNASTICS.

WALLACK'S—THE INVISIBLE HUSBAND.

NAPOLEON'S THEATRE—GREAT NAPOLEON TROUPE.

CLINTON HALL, (ASTOR PLACE)—ELECTRO PHYSIOLOGY.

THEATRE FRANCAIS—PAUVRE JE PLEURE.

BODWORTH'S HALL, No. 663 Broadway—SOIRÉES OF CHAMBER MUSIC.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

The President has sent a message to Congress, announcing that he has signed the joint resolution recently passed, providing for the additional issue of $100,000,000 in Treasury notes, to provide for the prompt payment of our soldiers and sailors. He takes occasion, however, to express his regret that it has been found necessary to authorize so large an additional issue, and urges the importance of adopting some scheme whereby a further inflation may be avoided. He suggests a reasonable taxation of bank circulation, and the establishment of banking associations authorized under a general act of Congress, as suggested in his Message at the beginning of the session.

On learning that the President had signed the joint resolution authorizing the new issue of Treasury bills, the Secretary of the Treasury yesterday immediately placed to the credit of the several Paymasters an aggregate amount sufficient to pay the entire army and navy.

We have a digest of another batch of rebel dispatches and correspondence captured by our blockaders. The most important portion relates to the operations of GEORGE SANDERS in England in procuring steamers for the rebels.

It appears from the report of Acting Rear-Admiral FOOTE, that all the heavy fighting at Arkansas Post was done by the iron-clads and other gunboats under his command. The iron-clads engaged the rebel batteries at close quarters, and dismounted all their guns, eleven in number, in three hours. The list of killed and wounded on our boats is small.

Several steamers have been seized at Cincinnati by order of the Government, and dispatched to Memphis, doubtless to furnish sufficient transportation to take Gen. GRANT's army to Vicksburgh.

Brig.-Gen. W. A. GORMAN informs Maj.-Gen. CURTIS, in a dispatch Jan. 5, from Helena, Ark., that he directed Brig.-Gen. WASHBURN, commanding the cavalry division, to send out 1,600 mounted men on different roads, and part by water, up the St. Francis River—all to meet at given points to surprise and capture the two companies of rebel cavalry that have been for some time past hovering along our picket lines near Helena. Gen. WASHBURN's command proceeded on the night of the 2d inst., through a most terrific storm of rain, to a point near La Grange. The Fifth Kansas and First Indiana Regiments soon found the location of the enemy's camp, and came upon their pickets, whom they dashed upon at daylight, and all went into camp together. Our forces captured ten men and two officers, and killed ten and wounded others; destroyed the camp and over 4,000 bushels of corn, 1,000 pounds of bacon, a large lot of corn meal and other provisions and supplies, and scattered the rebels in all directions through the woods. The prisoners were brought to Helena and lodged in jail. This success is a partial compensation for the loss of our pickets lately.

A gentleman who arrived at Flemmingsburgh, Ky., on Jan. 12, having left Abingdon, Va., on the 7th, reports that 50,000 rebel soldiers, from LEE's army, on their way to reinforce BRAGG, had passed through the latter place.

News from Havana has been received at Key West that the Confederate steamer *Alabama* was off that port about the 5th inst.

A dispatch to the Philadelphia *Inquirer*, dated Falmouth, Jan. 18, states that, on the preceding afternoon, near dark, the rebels advanced about a thousand infantry, and occupied the breastworks opposite Falmouth, which they have been constructing during the past week. Col. T. J. MEADHEAD, in command of OWEN's Philadelphia Brigade, with HAZARD's Rhode Island Battery, were moving down to contest their further forward movement, but they did not offer battle. It is thought that the review of COUCH's Corps, which took place on the 17th, in sight of their camps, created the impression that our army was again going to cross.

The St. Louis *Republican* and the Cincinnati *Commercial* urge the propriety of giving Gen. McCLERNAND entire charge of operations in the West.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, a communication from the Post-office Department was received, explaining that the detention of the mails between New-York and Washington was caused mainly by the increased travel on account of the war, but that it would be remedied. A bill to promote the efficiency of the Medical Department of the army was reported from the Military Committee. Mr. McDOUGALL, of California, offered a series of concurrent resolutions relative to the proceedings of the French in Mexico, which, at his request, were laid over until next Thursday. The bill reorganizing the Court of Claims was debated until the expiration of the morning hour, when the bill on the discharge of State prisoners was taken up, and occupied attention until the adjournment. Speeches were made by Messrs. POWELL, of Kentucky, and WRIGHT, of Indiana.

In the House, a bill to aid Maryland to abolish Slavery was referred to the Select Committee on Emancipation. A bill was introduced by Mr. COLFAX, of Indiana, authorizing payment of duties on imports in legal tender notes, with thirty-three per cent. added. It was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. The Postmaster-General was called upon for information regarding the cost of transporting the mails between New-York and Washington. The Secretary of War was called upon for information regarding the cost of transporting troops and munitions of war over the same route. The Secretary of War was also called upon for information regarding the payment of troops. He was also called upon for information regarding the amount of revenue derived from the hides, hoofs and tallow of cattle slain for the army. The credentials of JOHN B. BOOKER, claiming a seat as a Representative from Tennessee, were presented. The bill providing ways and means for the support of the Government was then considered in Committee of *the Whole until the adjournment.*

GENERAL NEWS.

By the steamship *America*, which arrived at this port last evening, we receive our correspondence from the Isthmus of Panama to the 9th inst. She left Aspinwall in company with the steamship *Champion*, with the California treasure on board, convoyed by the gunboat *Augusta*, but they parted company on the 15th, off Watling's Island. Our letter from Aspinwall gives a full account of the fire which occurred there on the 26th ult. It destroyed all the hotels in the place, the Panama Railroad office, the United States Consulate, and WELLS, FARGO & Co.'s office. The news from the interior of New-Granada is not important. We have by this arrival, also, later advices from Central and South America, but they present no feature worthy of special mention.

A large meeting of the Democracy was held in the Governor's Room, City Hall, Brooklyn, last evening, to consider what action should be taken respecting the course Hon. T. C. CALLICOTT has seen fit to pursue in relation to the Speakership of the Assembly. Violent speeches were made, denouncing that gentleman's action as treasonable to the Democratic Party, and urging him to return to his political fealty. A series of resolutions of the same tenor was also adopted, and a Committee appointed to go to Albany to carry them into effect. Mayor KALBFLEISCH presided at the meeting.

At the meeting of the Board of Councilmen last evening, a communication was received from the Mayor transmitting the colors presented by the City to the Fifty-first Regiment, New-York Volunteers, and a letter from the Colonel returning the colors to the City, on account of the consolidation of that regiment. These colors have been gallantly and honorably borne by the regiment on the battle-fields of Manassas, Chantilly, South Mountain, Antietam and Fredericksburgh. A communication was received from the Comptroller showing that the balance in the City Treasury Jan. 17, was $1,947,400 64. The list of Committees was announced, and appears in our official account of the proceedings. The resolution to present a sword to Gen. THOMAS FRANCIS MEAGHER was passed.

The bark *Achilles*, loaded with flour contributed to the suffering English operatives, has cleared from Philadelphia for Liverpool. She takes out 5,020 barrels of flour, which cost $25,000.

The *Lehigh*, an iron-clad Monitor, was launched at the yard of Messrs. BEARY, SON & ARCHBOLD, Chester, Penn., on Saturday last. She is the exact counterpart of the Sangamon, which was a short time since completed at the same establishment.

In the Court of Sessions, yesterday, before Judge McCUNN, EDWARD COLLEY pleaded guilty to an assault upon EDWARD PRICE, and EDWARD A. DE GRAY pleaded guilty to forgery in the fourth degree. The prisoners were both remanded for sentence.

HENRY OLIVER, a seaman, was put on trial yesterday, in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, for manslaughter, in killing the Second Mate of the *Francis B. Cutting*, while she lay in the stream preparatory to sailing for Liverpool, on the 26th of December last. The prisoner is defended by EDWIN JAMES, Esq., S. V. GARVIN, Assistant District Attorney, conducting the trial on behalf of the people. The testimony was concluded yesterday, and the case will be summed up this morning.

Breadstuffs, Provisions and Whisky were active and buoyant, yesterday. Cotton, Hay, Hops, Hides, Wool, Tallow, and Tobacco were in fair request. Groceries were quiet. Freights exhibited considerable animation.

The Live Stock markets show a light supply of animals, and an advance in prices of all kinds. Beeves numbered 2,000 only, at Forty-fourth-street, with some 500 more expected to-day, mostly by the Harlem road. Sellers and owners agreed that it was the best market for a year, both in prices and the rapidity with which whole yards were cleared. The advance from last week is fully ½c. ℔ lb., and nearly all were sold by night, a good many at 9½c.@10c. ℔ lb. dressed weight, and only fair beef at that. The cattle were generally of ordinary quality. Sheep are scarce and higher, fat lots bringing 6¾c.@7c. ℔ lb., live weight. Hogs, too, are selling better, owing to lighter receipts and colder weather.

THE ARMIES OF ROSECRANS AND LONGSTREET.—The immense fall of rain and snow in the west and southwest, has put an end to all apprehension that Gen. ROSECRANS would find difficulty in supplying his army at Nashville. All the rivers of Tennessee and Kentucky are at their highest Winter flood. Boats of the heaviest draft known on the western waters can navigate the Cumberland as easily as the Mississippi. The telegraph announces the arrival of twenty boats, yesterday, at Nashville, laden with army supplies. With the river and the railroad to serve him, Gen. ROSECRANS will not be detained from pursuit of the enemy by lack of provisions. It is said, however, that reinforcements are needed before the rebel army, now under the command of LONGSTREET, can be again attacked. This is probable. Our loss at Murfreesboro was doubtless equal to 15 per cent. of the force we had engaged. We had none too many for the work in hand, and the rebels have since been reinforced by a better General than BRAGG, and it is said by a heavy body of troops from Virginia. We need to strengthen ourselves before the campaign is renewed; for in addition to fighting an obstinate rebel army in his selected position, Gen. ROSECRANS will need to build and defend a railroad in his rear to maintain his connection with his base of supplies.

It may be that LONGSTREET, finding that ROSECRANS is not likely to be starved out, will take the initiative in the next collision in Tennessee. We have, indeed, intimations from rebel sources that he will. If he does, the day of attack will not be long delayed. He will endeavor to take advantage of the present weakened condition of the Union army and fight before reinforcements can be sent to ROSECRANS. There would be policy in this; and as the rebels are just now in an exulting and defiant frame of mind, we need not be surprised to hear that a second battle on a grand scale is about to occur in the vicinity of Nashville. The next clash of arms, in all probability, will be in that quarter, and between Nashville and Murfreesboro. Let the Government see to it, before it is too late, that ROSECRANS' army is brought up to a proper strength, so that he can give the enemy a beating still more effective than that which he gave them on the 31 of January at Murfreesboro.

Failure in Generalship.

In an article, two or three days since, upon our large battles, we showed conclusively that, notwithstanding the employment in them of rifled cannon and "arms of precision," on a scale never before known, they exhibited a remarkably smaller ratio of killed and wounded than the great battles of the century in Europe, or than even our own sharply-contested smaller engagements; that while the victors at Solferino lost over 30 per cent., and while at Friedland and Marengo the loss on each side was 21 per cent., at Jena 26, at Waterloo 30, at Aspern 35, at Eylau and at Borodino each 36; and while, in this present war, the loss at Wilson's Creek was 25 per cent., at Williamsburgh 19, at Fair Oaks 25, and at Corinth 20, yet in the very few large battles hitherto fought—in which 50,000 or over were engaged on each side—our losses in killed and wounded averaged only a half or a third as much—those of Shiloh, Fredericksburgh and Murfreesboro being only about 10 per cent. each, and those at Antietam about 13. Now, what does this signal difference indicate? It proves that as yet we have had *no fit generalship.*

The fact that the percentage in our smaller battles is so large shows beyond question that the fault does not lie with our soldiers. Soldiers, in all wars, fight with more bravery and determination in large bodies than in small, other things being equal. They do not so readily take in the whole scope of great danger, on account of the extent of the field; and again there is a moral support in large masses which strengthens individual fortitude and courage. Our soldiers ought to fight the most unyieldingly in our biggest battles. The fact that the reverse is so decidedly the case can be ascribed to no diminished pluck on their part in the great fields. It comes from the simple circumstance that, while there is ability to lead and handle them properly, and make the most of them when acting on a small scale, there is no such ability when they are brought into a mighty pitched battle.

"A pitched battle," says NAPIER, "is a great affair. A good General must bring *all* the moral and *all* the physical force of his army into play *at the same time*, if he means to win, and all may be too little." A large army is no better than a small one except as its superior strength is put into full exercise. Just so far as, either by lack of action or lack of concert of action, the whole available force does not contribute directly to the work in hand, just so far is a portion of that force useless. *Complete combination* is the prime necessity. Where the armies are large, and the movements varied and complex, this requires great grasp of mind and rare quickness of perception. In none of our great battles, thus far, has this combining power been exhibited by our Generals. Bull Run was called a battle of companies and regiments; and so it was. There was nothing there like general systematic fighting. Our chiefs have improved somewhat since then. They—at least some of them—have been able to fight battles of brigades and divisions; but they have given us no specimen yet of a battle of a grand army. Shiloh, under GRANT and BUELL, was first a surprise, afterward a dead stand, and finally a general "pitch-in," without plan or method. There was no such thing as a general order. Every Commander did what, and only what seemed good in his own eyes, and the field was finally saved only by the bull-dog stubbornness of our soldiers. At Antietam, under McCLELLAN, there was a plan, but it was not carried out. Instead of a simultaneous advance upon the position of the enemy, as was intended, there were in fact three distinct battles—first, one by HOOKER on the right; then, when that flagged, one by SUMNER and FRANKLIN in the centre; and, when this was well over, one lastly by BURNSIDE on the left. The simultaneousness of movement which would probably have overwhelmed the enemy, and resulted in immense captures, was wanting, and gave us only a barren victory. At Fredericksburgh, the main part of the attack was made by FRANKLIN's wing. Two-thirds of the force that crossed never seriously threatened the enemy. At Murfreesboro, the right wing was surprised, and, without adequate support, was broken down. It is ROSECRANS' peculiar merit that he afterward retrieved himself by making such dispositions and movements that every soldier had his appropriate work to do, and did it, thereby securing unity of effort and a splendid result.

Another peculiarity of our large battles, and another proof of their unscientific character, is the length of time they occupy, and their failure in positive results. BONAPARTE fought sixty battles. Not five of them lasted into the second day. Many of them were wound up within four, and most within eight, hours. Six of the battles in the Peninsula under WELLINGTON, and in the last Italian war, under the Generals of the present EMPEROR. And yet every considerable battle of ours is more likely than not to last into the second or third day. This is because no master-strokes of the Generals determine the matter, but simply the rough and irregular pounding of the soldiers—just as two novices at fisticuffs may hit away at each other a whole day without decisive result, while your scientific boxers, even when coping with each other, are pretty sure to "get in a settler" within fifty minutes.

Of course, this concentration of effort we have spoken of, and these scientifically delivered blows, cost blood. Every decisive battle-field swims in gore. Certainly it is dreadful. And yet the dreadfulness is rather in the war itself, than in these particular features of it. It is such battles, after all, that are the most merciful; for they operate more than all things else combined to shorten the war. As we have been conducting our great engagements, little or nothing of a really positive character is realized. One or the other army is a little worsted, and simply falls back for another field of operations, carrying with it all of its able-bodied men, all of its wounded, and all of its arms, munitions and stores. There is no *disablement*, but simply a displacement, of armies; and consequently the war is indefinitely prolonged. We may rely upon it there will be no end of this struggle until this style of fighting is changed. The rebellion will never be crushed until its armies are destroyed; and this can be done only by cutting them to pieces, as far as possible, on the field, and by relentlessly following up their broken columns in the retreat.

The rebel generalship is said to be superior to our own. If this be true, it is attributable solely to DAVIS' invariable practice of superseding every commanding General on the very first occasion of his proving himself unequal to his position. He does this summarily, peremptorily, without fear or favor. A military man himself, he full well understands that nature has quite as much as education to do in the making of a real commander, and that nothing but actual deeds and practical results can determine his real ability. These he is quick to mark, and, when unsatisfactory, at once puts new men on trial. This, of course, involves a good deal that is unpleasant, but it is the only mode of at last finding the right men for the right places. Unless our own Administration adopts and rigorously applies a similar system, we shall be outgeneraled in the end, even if we are not already.

Geographical and Commercial Relations of the West.

Among the arts of secession sympathizers of the Cox and Vallandigham school, to create alarm, and force the country into an ignominious peace with the rebels, is the bugbear of the separation of the Western from the Eastern States, and of the union of the former with the Slaveholding States of the Lower Mississippi, from the alleged dependence upon that river for a market, of all the territory drained by it and its tributaries.

This argument, notwithstanding its seeming plausibility, has only to be examined to vanish instantly in thin air. The vast expanse out of which have been carved the Northwestern States, embraces the hydrographic basin of the St. Lawrence, as well as that of the Mississippi. The two run into each other, and mingle their waters at more points than one. There are no barriers or landmarks to indicate their respective boundaries. The waters of both lie embosomed in the same vast Plain. The elevation of the lakes and the rivers are the same, upon similar parallels. So few are the obstructions to their construction, that the artificial highways are everywhere free to choose routes that coincide with the convenient direction of commerce and trade.

To the early settlers of this Great Plain the two rivers draining it were the only outlets for their products. These rivers not only flowed in opposite directions, but they differed remarkably in the character of their descent to the sea. That portion of the plain falling off toward the Gulf of Mexico has a slope so regular and gentle that the great river traversing it is navigable at certain portions of the year for nearly its whole course. On the northeast, on the contrary, the great plain drops off abruptly, forming two great terraces, each of which constitutes—one at the outlet of Lake Erie, the other at that of Lake Ontario—a complete bar to the navigability of the great river falling over them. These obstructions necessarily gave to the Mississippi the greater portion of the carrying trade of the interior. But neither route coincided with the convenient direction of trade. Both were at right angles to the great districts of consumption of our own country, and had their outlets far distant from the ports through which was carried on both our foreign and domestic commerce and trade.

The inconvenience of these natural outlets at a very early day turned public attention to the construction of artificial highways, direct from the producing to the consuming districts, to avoid the long and expensive circuits by way of the Gulf of Mexico and the St. Lawrence. The Erie Canal was the first work opened, followed in time by lines of railroads, connecting, at numerous points, the great valley with all the leading seaports in the East. The canal in connection with the great lakes instantly superseded, for every portion of the Northwestern States accessible to it, the use of both rivers as their outlets to market, and transferred their dependence upon the Mississippi and the St. Lawrence to the artificial highways running at right angles to them, and terminating at the great seats of commerce and trade in the East; for geographical dependence is but another name for the cheapest, most convenient and expeditious route to market. The volume of trade and commerce moving in any particular direction, is the test and measure of such dependence.

The transference of the dependence of the West upon the Mississippi to the artificial lines connecting the territory watered by it and its tributaries with the East, forms one of the most striking and instructive chapters in the history of our people. The possibility of such an achievement naturally suggested itself to every thinking mind as soon as the fertility of the great Valley became understood, and it was seen that it must become the seat of a vast population. It was a conception upon which the thoughts of Washington dwelt little less than a year before arriving at the age of manhood, he carefully examined the country from the Chesapeake to the Ohio, for the purpose of finding a route by a canal to connect the two. The realization of the dream that haunted his imagination has ever since been the darling project of Virginia. The ardor of its people was not a whit abated by being anticipated by New-York. The rich harvest that followed the construction of the Erie Canal, was only an additional stimulus to their efforts, as it was to those of nearly every State lying upon the Atlantic slope from the British Provinces to Florida. All acknowledged the superior enterprise of New-York, but all claimed to be equally or still more favored in geographical position. All commenced works adapted to the character of the country to be traversed, for the purpose of turning into their own laps the golden stream that had wrought such wonders in the progress and prosperity of New-York. The Western were in nowise behind the Eastern States in the eagerness with which they projected and constructed works which were to carry forward to the very heart of their territories the great lines undertaken by the latter, so that from imperative necessity, almost, the construction of highways as outlets for the West, has for more than a generation been the all-absorbing theme with our people.

The result of this great necessity has been *the entire system of our public works.* More than 20,000 miles of railroad and 3,000 miles of canal, at an aggregate cost of $1,000,000,000, have been constructed to relieve the interior of geographical dependence upon the Mississippi, while hardly a penny has been expended to continue this dependence. Not a mile of railroad in the Northwest has been constructed to send produce down the Mississippi; but more than 12,000 miles have been constructed in this section alone to draw trade from the Mississippi, and send it direct to Eastern seaports.

The result achieved has been in exact ratio to the means used. The area from which the great Eastern and Western lines have drawn the trade of the West has been enlarged with the regularity and steadiness of an advancing wave. The whole method employed has been simply reduction in the cost of transportation. A reduction equal to one cent on a ton (the estimated cost per mile) of produce transported from Chicago to New-York, Philadelphia or Boston, extends the radius of the circle of trade commanded by those cities one mile. If that radius, taking Chicago as a centre, be 500 miles, such reduction adds to the area inscribed in the great circle, nearly 3,500 square miles. A reduction equal to 10 cents per ton would add 35,000 square miles. The whole thing is only a question in physics—in the exact sciences. The problem set before us from the outset has been to see to how large a portion of the products of the great interior, (without markets of its own,) a commercial value could be given. We have gone on step by step, till the Eastern States have swept into their bosom the whole trade of the Northwest, to the mutual benefit of each section, and have commercially, for that section of the country, opened new outlets both for the St. Lawrence and the Mississippi, and have thereby made habitable the far distant interior, attracted to it the millions that now inhabit it, created our wealth and our foreign and domestic commerce, and rendered us as a nation what we are.

From the opening of the Erie Canal the flow of merchandise from West to East commenced. The current at first was a feeble one. So late as 1837 the number of tons of Western produce reaching tide-water through the Erie Canal was only 50,235. In 1841 it had increased to 2,156,000. For the present year it will probably reach 3,000,000. The following statement will show the ratio of this increase up to 1860, with the cost, including tolls, of transporting a ton of merchandise from Lake Erie to the Hudson.

Year.	Tons Western Produce Reached Tide by Erie Canal.	Cost per ton. From Albany to Buffalo.	Cost per ton. From Buffalo to Albany.
1837	50,235	$20 00	$40 33
1838	69,223	18 00	7 50
1839	131,071	17 00	6 75
1840	196,146	17 00	5 44
1841	234,176	16 00	7 50
1842	324,477	13 50	6 37
1843	354,375	13 50	6 62
1844	480,025	11 50	6 56
1845	504,891	11 00	5 66
1846	505,600	9 00	5 37
1847	512,849	9 00	5 02
1848	650,114	7 00	5 12
1849	766,849	7 00	5 37
1850	773,589	7 00	5 18
1851	980,973	6 50	5 40
1852	1,151,979	6 50	4 71
1853	1,213,600	6 50	4 60
1854	1,100,536	6 50	5 12
1855	1,092,976	6 50	5 61
1856	1,212,558	6 50	6 61
1857	919,908	6 50	5 56
1858	1,373,099	6 00	4 06
1859	1,206,636	6 00	3 14
1860	1,680,000	6 00	3 00

Of the tonnage of the canal delivered at tide-water in 1860, 1,067,503 tons were cereals, and 12,524 tons animal food. The Erie and Central Railroads the same year brought to tide-water 425,185 tons of animal, and 540,000 tons of vegetable food; almost the whole of it the product of the West. The value of the vegetable and animal food of the three lines was equal to $128,000,000. The other great lines, such as the Ogdensburgh, Pennsylvania, and Baltimore and Ohio, swelled the aggregate value to at least $225,000,000. Against this volume of trade, we copy from the New-Orleans *Price Current* the following statement, showing the total exports, coastwise and foreign, of produce from that port for 1860:

Exports to	Flour, Bbls.	Pork, Bbls.	Bacon, Hhds.	Lard, Bbls.	Beef, Bbls.	Corn, Sacks.
New-York	16,862	300	211	3,348	3,073	37,303
Boston	41,128	8,047	91	1,003	1,000	78,116
Philadelphia	—	—	—	235	10	—
Other C'stwise Ports	97,221	49,973	10,005	1,200	2,010	49,100
Great Britain	3,203	10	—	7,916	5,406	62,410
Cuba	2,416	1,337	1,461	57,000	725	2,848
Other Foreign Ports	74,116	2,129	245	6,461	983	14,339
Total	235,311	62,016	12,013	76,163	12,207	243,276

The "other ports" were Gulf ports. The whole value of the above exports did not exceed $2,500,000!

Against this movement on the Eastern routes, there were received at New-Orleans, in 1860, by way of the Mississippi River, 965,860 barrels of Flour, 13,116 sacks of wheat, 1,722,087 sacks of corn, 659,550 bushels of oats, 216,522 barrels and 1,874 hogsheads of pork, 85,322 barrels of lard, 24,[illegible] barrels and tierces of beef, and 82,519 sacks of beans. A large portion of the above were products of Slave States. Reducing the flour to bushels, the total number of bushels of grain received at New-Orleans was 5,687,800, against 71,[illegible] received at tide-water over the New-York lines, or at least 85,000,000 bushels over all the five great Eastern outlets. The item of animal food received at New-Orleans, in 1860, was 96,700, against 437,759 by the New-York routes; or adding the tonnage of animal food brought by the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio Railroads, against, probably, 525,000 tons on the five Eastern outlets of the great valley.

Such is a statement of the movement of Western produce in 1860, a period of profound quiet and of remarkable prosperity at the South. At that time, nearly the whole export trade of the West, as far down as Cairo, had been turned into the new channels. In five years more, with a continuance of peace, the northern routes would have controlled the trade of the Mississippi Valley as far down as Memphis. The final result would have been a complete absorption of the internal trade of the whole valley. Such a result would have been as inevitable as the operation of any natural law; for the North had gained the trade of the interior, simply, by providing cheaper and more convenient outlets to markets than the natural ones, or any artificial rival ones that could be constructed.

What then does severance of the West from the East mean? Nothing less than self-immolation, by undoing that, to accomplish which, the mightiest efforts of the nation, for a generation, have been put forth; efforts that are still prosecuted with unabated success and zeal. The West is what it is, not by continuing and perfecting its connections with the South, but by severing such connections and opening new ones with the East. To break the latter would reverse the whole process of its growth, and would be more fatal to its prosperity than to be blasted, as the South now is, by fire and sword. We do not underrate the value of the Southern trade to the West; but, as an outlet for its products, the Mississippi, by the act of its people has, for years, been almost entirely sealed. They will not again return to it at the price of certain destruction, notwithstanding the threats of Pro-Slavery demagogues.

THE FINANCIAL PROBLEM.—Almost every man and woman in the country has his, or her, favorite plan for sustaining the National credit and paying off the interest and principal of the rapidly-growing public debt. Those in foreign countries who have remarked the various bills introduced into Congress, and who have read the speeches of members and the articles in leading journals, may well be struck with the fecundity of our national genius in this respect, if not with the facility with which the American people can raise money, pay fearful debts, and come out of a huge war wealthier and stronger than when they entered upon it. Out of all these conflicting schemes of finance the true one will, doubtless, finally be evolved, and perhaps put in operation.

We give place to a communication this morning setting forth a "Plan for restoring the National Credit," which ought certainly to be popular. We will not recapitulate the plan here, as that will be found lucidly elaborated in the letter itself; but when we state that the writer proposes to raise a popular loan of five hundred millions of dollars which will all be paid off in thirty years, and which, compared to a loan of six per cent., will leave a net profit of five hundred and twenty-eight millions eight hundred and seventy thousand dollars, or more than the original amount of the loan, while every subscriber will ultimately receive back the whole amount he has invested, with three per cent. interest per annum—we think we have said enough to attract to the scheme the attention of Secretary CHASE, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. SPAULDING, Wall-street, and the public generally.

Amusements.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—Miss BATEMAN, the talented young tragedienne whose career last season was watched with so much interest and satisfaction by the public, made her rentrée here yesterday evening in a new play (from the German) called "Leah the Forsaken." The house was admirably filled and she lady when she made her appearance was hailed with hearty applause.

The story of the play cannot be described as cheerful, but it is sufficiently involved and diversified enough variety of human passion to create a more than ordinary amount of interest. The scene is laid in a village in Germany, and the action is supposed to have transpired about a century ago, when Joseph the Second was Emperor, and laws of mediæval origin still rendered the children of Israel a proscribed and persecuted race. *Leah* (Miss BATEMAN) loves and is beloved by *Rudolf*, (Mr. EDWIN ADAMS,) a young soldier. They have to meet in secret, for fear of Christian prejudice which would attach to the idea of a Christian marriage with a Jewess. Some of them meet accidentally, however, they are discovered by *Nathan*, (Mr. W. WALLACK,) a Jew, apostate Hebrew, who, to shield himself from the suspicion which he constantly fears to may be excited against Israel, denounces them to the authorities of the neighborhood. *Father Lorenzo* (Mr. BOWMAN,) an old ecclesiastic, and *Father Stephens*, the village priest, endeavor to dissuade *Rudolf* from what they regard as the disgrace of a union with *Leah*, urging that like all her people she is merely mercenary in her designs, and can be induced to either yield herself to, or retaliate by insult him for the sake of money. To enforce these assertions they go to *Leah's* people, and offer the alternatives of horrible expulsion from the village or compensation for a voluntary abandonment. The latter alternative is accepted, and *Nathan* manages to make *Rudolf* believe that *Leah* has received part of the price of expulsion to give him up. Hurried in his rage, disappointment and despair, married *Madlene*, (Mrs. CHANFRAU,) the niece of the priest, a young person for whom there has been much intriguing to gain him as a husband. In process of time they have a child, and, in remembrance of his former love, *Rudolf* has it christened *Leah*. The fact not being so to the intended mother of *Leah* (the foundling) and her people from their homes, when, just as they are on the point of leaving, *Rudolf* returns from the capital with the news that the laws against the Jews have been abrogated. The final development of the plot follows. The villany of *Nathan* is exposed, and sorrowful explanations and mutual forgiveness pass between *Leah* and *Rudolf*; but the poor girl's heart is broken, and the piece, terminating in her death, becomes a tragedy.

It is in the pathetic portions of the play that Miss

[illegible] Mlle. ROSSIAT's appearance in this opera in her favor, and excites the sympathy which her dramatic demeanor. The performance being thus nicely balanced between graceful[illegible] of delivery and power of interpretation, was, of course, a success. The lady was called out after every act.

The literary merits of the play are not of the highest order. There is a pleonastic scope in the long speeches one cannot tolerate without yawning, and to which may be added an extremely apocrific element of fun. The situations, however, are strong, and the dialogue might well be trimmed more closely to them. It is well put upon the stage, with scenery that is a delight to the eye, and dresses that are varied and picturesque. The leading characters were well sustained by Mrs. CHANFRAU, Mr. EDWIN ADAMS and Mr. F. W. WALLOR. Some effective and appropriate musical morceaux have been written by Mr. ROSSIAT himself, and contribute in a large measure to the completeness of the production.

DODSWORTH'S SALOON.—Messrs. MASON and WIDDAS give their second classical concert here this evening. The programme will be found in another column.

THE AMERICAN NAVY.

Iron Ships for the Navy—The Engineer-in-Chief.

NEW-YORK, Friday, Jan. 9, 1863.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In the TIMES, of the 5th, "Crucis" attempts to answer my letter of the first, on the subject of the "Steam Navy," and I presume it is the best answer that can be made. He does wisely not to attempt the grave accusations contained in it, but only to attempt to discredit them by attacking with verbal criticism some of the minor points.

"Crucis" charges, first, that "Vindex" "simply states what is not true," in asserting that no large steam-factory can be run "*successfully*" without a cut-off; and to prove it he cites the case of "HECKER & BROTHERS'" flour-mill, which he affirms does run "successfully" without a cut-off. Of course we must first understand the meaning of the word "*successfully*" before we can decide this issue; and the facts of the case will define the measure in which I used it. Mr. HECKER's mill is run by a steam engine, which Mr. ISHERWOOD often refers to as one foundation for his arguments, and it has no cut-off; but it costs more than *fifty pounds of coal to grind one barrel of flour* by its use, although the profits of that mill are of the very best; while at the same time Mr. HECKER's neighbors—SMITH, LEACH and JEWELL, of Brooklyn—using a steam engine, *having a cut-off with a long range of expansion*, grind a barrel of flour with *not less than twenty pounds of coal*. Now I think HECKER's mill is not run successfully in any just sense although it may be true that the owners have money enough, (and I hope they have,) for I believe they deserve it, to be able to stand this immense unnecessary expense. At any time Mr. HECKER can have a good cut-off engine put into his mill for a *part of the saving of coal* which would be effected by its use. The other engine relied upon by ISHERWOOD, to prove his hypothesis, is the "Smithery" engine at Brooklyn Navy-yard, which, according to him, uses fifteen pounds of coal an hour a horse power, although a good cut-off engine only uses two, and a quarter pounds, or *less than one-sixth*, and *first-rate* results of expansion are still better. To calculate the economy of *good steam* engines from experiments tried on such machines as HECKER's, and the "Smithery" engine, is just as reliable as a calculation of the speed of *Flora Temple*, from experiments tried with one of the "carrions" usually driven by old junk peddlers. The only resemblance in the one case is, that both are steam engines, and in the other that both are horses.

The next point that "Crucis" makes, is that ISHERWOOD does not condemn cut-offs generally, but only "certain complicated kinds." This is a mere trick of words, as "Crucis" knows. It is true that *all engines whatever* cut off the steam at some distance before the end of the stroke, and it would be difficult to make one which did not; but there is a plain distinction between engines cutting off steam *without the end of what is technically called a cut-off*, and those which have an independent cut-off, and "Crucis" shows that he knew this distinction very well, by saying truly that HECKER's engine was without a cut-off, when, in fact they do cut off at some point. Among engineers the latter sort alone are called cut-off engines. ISHERWOOD, himself, thus states the difference very clearly: "Cutting off the steam at seven-tenths of the stroke of the piston, is *scarcely recognized* as working steam *expansively*." (Report to Navy Department, page 37.) What ISHERWOOD asserts is, that working steam at a point "scarcely recognized as working steam expansively,"—i. e., working it *without an independent cut-off*,—is the true point for economy, while I assert the contrary; and to maintain my position, I wrote that ISHERWOOD is "unsupported by men of recognized knowledge in the world," and acts, "in the face of notorious innumerable facts, to the contrary," which is certainly true.

The last point "Crucis" makes is a very flimsy contrivance to raise a false issue. It is, in substance, that I condemned ISHERWOOD for using "slide valves," and he meets me by declaring that "slide valves" are "the best for screw engines" by the consent of the "best engineering talent in the world." It is a bad cause, indeed, which must resort to such means as this. I said nothing against the use of the "slide valves;" on the contrary, I condemned ISHERWOOD for not using a slide valve cut-off, such as that of the *Iroquois, Dacotah, &c.* The simple issue is whether *a cut-off* is not necessary, no matter what sort of valves are used—and there is no question now in issue whether *slide valves or poppet valves* are the best. "Crucis" very clumsily tries to make it appear that I complain of the use of slide-valves, and then he cites authorities against me which he cards with a good show of success; but I do not propose to discuss the question of valves, about which men have a right to differ, in a newspaper.

Although I have not said it before in this discussion, I *know* that poppet valves are the best; but I would not say that a man was willfully ignorant who did not know that too—because it is true that many good engineers have the contrary opinion. But I aver that a man who says there is no economy in a cut-off (in the sense above defined) *is willfully ignorant*.

As to making *fast ships without a cut-off*, that is impossible, unless you will burn an enormous amount of coal in proportion to speed, which cannot be afforded in a war-ship. The same amount, used with a proper cut-off, would give the ship *three times* the power and a corresponding rate of speed. Thus, for example, the mailboats from Dublin to Holyhead are *very fast*, and they have *no cut-off*, but they burn *ten* tons of coal an hour. Still, they are successful in some senses, for the English Government pays them a large subsidy, coal only costs there twelve shillings a ton, and their route is only three hours and twenty minutes long. The steamer *Hi Quang*, a vessel of about the same displacement, built by MESSRS. O. ROBERTS, Esq., of this City, can go faster than they can with *three tons* an hour, simply by the use of an independent cut-off, long expansion, and a good valve gear generally. In comparison with her, therefore, they are not successful, and that comparison is a fair one between classes of vessels with and without a cut-off. ISHERWOOD's new ships are on the plan of the mailboats, without their speed, and he seems to have known the consequences, for their boilers are larger than those of the frigates, and they have tubes to increase the combustion, yet the *Iroquois* with but little more than about two miles an hour, by using half the quantity of coal, can passably, with an independent slide valve cut-off, run on the Long Island Sound, with a good deal more than it can on the *Iroquois*, and on vessels of her class, the ships having it would go still faster with the same coal. The proposition is simple enough; economy and speed are merely equivalent terms, for if you make power economically you have more of it for a certain amount of coal, and speed is the direct product of power. And you can carry more coal with an economical engine than with a wasteful one, for the boilers are less—as witness the *Iroquois* and new sloops of her class. The cylinders only need be larger in diameter, and that practically takes no more from the coal space. VINDEX.

THE SPEAKERSHIP.

Anti-Callicott Demonstration in Brooklyn.

The "Fierce Democracy" Unusually Ferocious.

The Speeches Made and the Resolutions Adopted.

A Committee to go to Albany to Induce Mr. Callicott to Return to the "Fold."

The announcement that Hon. T. C. CALLICOTT, Democratic representative from the Fifth Assembly District of Kings County, had allowed his name to be used in connection with the office of Speaker of the present House of Assembly in this State, to oppose to Hon. GILBERT DEAN, the regular caucus nominee of the party, has nowhere created such intense excitement in the Democratic ranks as in the City of Brooklyn, the Ninth and Eleventh Wards of which he represents in the present Legislature. A meeting of the Democracy was held last evening in the Governor's Room, City Hall, for the purpose of taking such action in the premises as might be deemed most advisable. The room was literally packed with the followers of the Democratic Party, and at ten minutes to 8 o'clock the meeting was called to order by Mr. JOHN J. WARD, who nominated Mr. THOMAS H. FARRON, City Comptroller, as Chairman.

This motion was put and carried, when Mr. JOHN F. HENNESSEY thought the proceedings of the meeting would have greater weight if His Honor Mayor KALBFLEISCH were appointed presiding officer. Mr. E. W. HEYMAN thought Mr. FARRON fully as weighty in point of influence, as His Honor the Mayor. Several gentlemen entered into an irregular sort of discussion as to who should be the presiding officer, when Mr. FARRON came forward, and said that he was called upon to perform a duty which would be better discharged by His Honor the Mayor. As all present were not residents of the Fifth Assembly District, where he resided, but as the meeting was composed of the Democracy of Brooklyn, generally, he thought the Chief Magistrate of the city the most appropriate man to act as Chairman. He therefore nominated Mayor KALBFLEISCH for that position. [Cheers, and cries of "No," "No."]

Some gentleman stated that the reason why Mr. FARRON was called to the Chair, was because he, being a resident in Mr. CALLICOTT's District, was one of his warmest political friends, and had done more than any other man to place him in the position he now held as legislator. The same gentleman also stated that if Mr. F. could not induce CALLICOTT to enter again into the Democratic fold, no man could.

After some further discussion, Mr. FARRON having, for the second time, peremptorily declined serving as Chairman, Mayor KALBFLEISCH was appointed Chairman, and came forward and called the meeting to order. He regretted that any question should arise as to who should be Chairman of the meeting, as the object that called them together was one in which the Democracy of the whole country were interested. He had telegraphed to Mr. CALLICOTT, a few days since, to "stand firm" by the party which elected him, and told him at the same time that he would write him by the next mail. He did write him, and it was such a letter as a father might write to an erring son. He had letter he had received a reply, which he would read.

Some one in the audience here interrupted the proceedings by shouting, "We don't want a d——d nigger thief in Congress," which parenthetical expression the audience were unable to understand—not knowing whether it was intended for His Honor, who is a member of Congress elect, or not. The interrupter, after a series of similar non-relevant ejaculations, was unceremoniously ejected. The letter from Mr. CALLICOTT is as follows:

STATE OF NEW-YORK, ASSEMBLY CHAMBER,
ALBANY, Jan. 11, 1863.

MY DEAR SIR: Your favor dated yesterday rescued me this morning, while I sat in my seat in the House, listening to the diatribes of two or three of the pets of Judge DEAN, who have had his case in charge, and are exasperated by his defeat. After what has occurred, no matter who is elected Speaker, he cannot be. Although, when I found FERNANDO WOOD had control of the caucus I refused to go into it, I voted steadily for GILBERT DEAN, without variation, for more than eighty ballots. It was evident he could not be elected, for he is one of the most obnoxious men in the House. I spoke to the leaders, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. CAGER, and others, and told them that I could be elected, and perhaps one or two others on our side, but although they believed it, they could not change front for fear of WOOD. Mr. RICHMOND told me to-day, in secrecy, the best men in the Democratic Party were pleased with the defeat of WOOD's candidate. DEAN's friends have been endeavoring for some days past to make substantially the same compromise that has been made with me; but could not do it because he was so obnoxious personally. The basis in substance is, that, as the House is equally divided, the Speaker shall be a Democrat, the Clerk and other elective officers Republicans; all the appointed officers of whom there are four, are to be Democrats, and the Committees are to be equally divided, one-half to one side and the other half to the other. If any more reasonable plan could be devised, I should like to know it. The whole cause of the bitterness of feeling manifested on the subject is, that those who wished to make the like compromise themselves have been disappointed. The imputation that I have been in any way false to Democratic principles is wholly gratuitous, and I feel assured that time will do me justice with you and others who have been misled by it. I take your advice in the same kindly spirit in which I know it has been given. Very truly, your friend,

T. C. CALLICOTT.

His Honor the Mayor then proceeded to denounce Mr. CALLICOTT for his desertion of the Democratic Party, and his refusal to go into caucus with his fellow-Democrats. He also stated that it was evident, while Mr. C. was voting for Mr. DEAN in the Assembly, he was at the same time making overtures to the Republicans to be placed in nomination for the Speakership. Every Democrat, therefore, should help to put him in such a position that when he returned to his constituency he would be hooted at as a traitor.

Loud calls were made for Hon. Mr. HUGHES, one of the Brooklyn Assembly delegation, when Mr. Hon. McLAGHLIN explained that it would be inappropriate for either that gentleman, or his fellow-member, Mr. DARCY, (who was also present,) to address the meeting. If they did so, the report would go to Albany that they instigated this denunciatory meeting, whereas it was well-known to be the spontaneous indignation of the Brooklyn Democracy at Mr. CALLICOTT's attempted treason that gave rise to it.

Hon. Judge MORRIS, being then called for, said he had not expect, considering the very short notice that had been given, to see so large a meeting. Their object he supposed was to take some formal action, that if CALLICOTT had any honor left he would heed the voice of the Democracy of Kings, and return to his party fealty. The design of the meeting was to let that gentleman know how his party supporters—his constituents—view the action he has taken. He (M.) feared that CALLICOTT's going with the Republicans thus far, was only part of a plan to have that last been executed; he might be found taking them in the election of a United States Senator. Such action would be giving a Senator to the minority of the people of this State, and be a gross outrage on the rights of the people. It would, in fact, be destroying the result of the late election. In which the election of Senator was a question that entered largely. It seemed strange that CALLICOTT, nominated and elected by the Democracy, should refuse to go into a Democratic caucus to nominate a candidate for the Speakership. When he first discovered that, he thought that all was not right. It was the duty of every Democratic member to prevent the election of a Republican Senator, even it could be done only by staving off the election till next Winter. He was not among those who believed Mr. CALLICOTT was excusable for his action, because the non-organization of the House would, after a certain time, leave us unrepresented in the United States Senate. There could be no justifiable excuse for any Democrat deserting his party in that crisis. (Applause.)

D. P. BARNARD, Esq., then offered a resolution to the effect that the Chairman appoint a Committee of five to draw up resolutions expressive of the sense of this meeting. The motion was carried, and the following gentlemen appointed: D. P. Barnard, John F. Hennessey, Thomas H. Farron and Messrs. Troy and Sprague.

The Committee having retired, Ex-Attorney-General CUSHING being called for, spoke in substance as follows:

When the united delegation from Kings county did what they thought to be foul bird was in the nest. The greatest interests depended on their action, and it was believed they would prove true to their principles and the party that elected them. When it became known that the Assembly would probably be "tied" that there were 64 Democrats and 64 Republicans men breathed freer, because it was thought the country was safe, for the Democracy never surrendered. All knew there was one doubtful vote, Hon. JOHN CUTLER of Albany, an old time Whig, but he had been sent to the Assembly by the votes of Democrats and conservatives, and when the test came he proved himself a true man, faithful to his constituency by going for the Democratic nominee. (Loud applause.) A short time longer and we saw that a number from this city, a man whom up to that time all could delight to see placed honorably in the Speaker's chair, had deliberately gone over to the camp of the enemy. We were correctly informed, that man was a traitor, and deserved a traitor's doom. [Applause.] Unborn millions were interested in the events now transpiring in this State to-day. If New-York swings from her constitutional moorings, and throws her weight in favor of fanaticism, your country is not worth a rush! [Applause.] What possible excuse could this recreant Democrat, CALLICOTT, frame for his conduct? Judging from his letter to the Mayor, he wished to be elected to the Speakership, but Mr. DEAN, the Democratic candidate, could not. Does he mean to say that Mr. DEAN is as bad, as treasonable as he is? Even were this so, it was no excuse. As well might a walking Magdalen claim that she was not so vicious as other frail sisters. Why did the Republicans leave a dyed-in-the-wool Abolitionist, if it were the mere organization of the House they sought to effect, and take up this recreant Democrat? He was satisfied the election of United States Senator was connected with this scheme—this bargain and sale; the placing of another Republican in the upper house of Congress entered largely into the programme. He thought, with Judge MORRIS, it were far better to be unrepresented in that body for the future, than to be misrepresented as the people of this State has been in the past. Mere railroad grants and other franchises, the routine business of the Legislature, was unaffected by the political organization of the House. In all these matters intelligent citizens independent of party politics, Mr. CALLICOTT, by accepting a Democratic nomination, had said to the Democracy, on all questions affecting the vitality of the party I am with you. This pledge he had forfeited. He does violence to party when he votes against the caucus nominee. The safety of the party was the safety of individual and national liberty. "Tis true the Republicans tell us, there are no political issues now. No, there have been none since Abraham Lincoln's election. (Cheers for SEYMOUR.) Why? Because the great Democratic voice had been heard. We are told that there were symptoms of a disturbance and now when CALLICOTT's treason was made known. This he (the speaker) could tell the Republicans there will be a row from Montauk to the Falls of Niagara if that man goes into the Speaker's chair. [Tremendous cheers.] He hoped the resolutions to-night would be of the right stamp, and be unanimously adopted. We should speak with the utterance of the men of the Revolution. We must make it known that he who leaves the Democratic Party will find a political grave from which there is no resurrection. (Great applause.)

Ex-Alderman DOCHERTY was the next speaker. He went over the same ground as those who preceded him, and added in addition that he did not believe in rioting and plunder, but that the rights of the people must be vindicated at every cost. He was for hanging all traitors. The majority must have their way.

Hon. RODNEY S. CHURCH said we knew what has been Republican union for the last two years. The man who had encouraged to save up a little for his family's support has had his hopes blasted by the manner in which this war has been conducted. What can we do to head off the enemy? Mere remonstration will not do it. So far as this miserable traitor was concerned, we should be glad he has left the Democracy. It is a good riddance, and we can kick him in his posterior and help him into the Black Republican ranks. We must, however, strengthen the ranks of the sixty-three loyal members at Albany in preventing the rights of the people to be outraged. The day is not far distant when, if this system of public plundering goes on, we shall be called upon as men protecting our homes and firesides, to shoulder our musket against foreign foes, but domestic enemies and robbers. From this night's meeting, and the conduct of CALLICOTT, we learn illustrated by the throwing overboard of the tea in Boston Harbor. [Tremendous applause, which lasted for some minutes.] Revolutions are right and just when organized against a party which seeks to destroy the liberty of the citizen; which endeavors to create an idol in the negro while it seeks to debase and enslave the white man. [Continued applause.] He would be the last to cast one shoulder his musket in such a revolutionary cause, old as he was. The present war started with the avowed intent of restoring the Constitution and preserving the Union as it was. For this purpose fathers and mothers parted with their sons and bade them God-speed in so glorious a mission. Millions of treasure had been placed at the disposal of the Government to effect this object. But to-day our soldiers are buried beneath the sod or lingering in hospitals drawing bread and the common comforts of life. Whole loads of the money gone! Into the pockets of a pack of thieving robbers, who are fattening on the public plunder given them by this Black Republican Administration. [Cries of "That's so," and applause.] And such, too, we will be called upon to aid in this plundering scheme—you will be asked to stand a draft that will make the niggers free while it enslaves the white men. [Applause.] He suggested sending a Committee to Albany to strengthen the hands of the loyal Democrats there. Let them act as a Committee of Safety, so that the d——d recreant (CALLICOTT) shall choke up forever, and be hooted out as a traitor! [Tremendous applause.] If CALLICOTT is determined to go over body and soul to the Republicans, our friends can even withdraw from the Assembly and break up this Legislature until next Winter. Give us but twelve months more, and the Democracy will see to it that the next Assembly will contain no man who will prove traitorous. [Great cheering.]

D. P. BARNARD, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, then read the following, which were adopted, *nem con*:

Whereas, The Democracy of Kings County has heard with regret that one of the representatives in the Assembly from this county, TERRYSTRIE C. CALLICOTT, a Democrat, has become the Republican candidate for Speaker, in opposition to the regular nominee of the Democratic caucus;

And, Whereas, Such a course on the part of one of our representatives is calculated to create the impression that it is the result of political corruption;

And, Whereas, The only true foundation of the Government of the people is in the virtue of the people and of the representatives elected to represent their wills;

And, Whereas, The recent election in this State was conducted on the principles which were well known and distinctive in their character, and that the share of our National Union occupied a prominent place in the canvass, and that on the part of the Democracy, our motto was, "The Union as it was, and the Constitution as it is;"

And, Whereas, The course of the present National Administration in the prosecution of the war, shows that there can be no peace except upon the destruction of the Union and the overthrow of the sacred and reserved rights of the States and the people;

And, Whereas, If the Administration, unless checked by a Democratic majority in both Houses of Congress will, by yielding to the radical measures forced upon it by the black spirit of Abolitionism, totally destroy our Union and the hope of our people for the triumph of the flag of our country; therefore,

Resolved, That in the election of a "Republican United States Senator at this time, from this State, in opposition to the voice of a majority of the people, we consider that a blow will be inflicted upon the Union and Constitution from which they may never be recovered.

Resolved, That the said TERRYSTRIE C. CALLICOTT be earnestly urged to remain faithful to the people which have placed him in his present office, by honestly carrying out the views of his Democratic party (not by cooperating with the representatives of the party from all parts of the State, in such measures as their united wisdom shall judge best for the good of our common country.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by this meeting to present a copy of the action of this meeting to T. C. CALLICOTT.

An amendment was made and adopted that the Committee consist of ten from each ward constituting Mr. CALLICOTT's district, the Ninth and Eleventh.

Mr. CAVANA wished the resolutions had taken stronger grounds on great National questions. He desired the Republicans should know how earnest the Democracy were, and what they mean.

Ex-Mayor TALMADGE moved to add one gentleman from each ward and from each county town to the Committee. Carried.

Mr. CRUNCH moved that when the meeting adjourn it stands be to meet again subject to the call of the Chair. Carried.

After tendering a vote of thanks to the 63 members of the Assembly who stand firm, and a proposition to raise funds to defray the expenses of the Committee, which was afterward withdrawn, the meeting adjourned. Just previous to the adjournment Mr. FARRON suggested that all Democrats who could get to Albany should be there by Wednesday evening next. The names of the Committee will be announced in the newspapers this evening.

MORE REBEL DISPATCHES.

Additional Correspondence Intercepted off Charleston.

What George Saunders Says About his Six Steamers.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 19.

Another budget of rebel letters has been intercepted. They were taken from Maj. SAUNDERS, when he was recently captured off Charleston. Some of them are dated as far back as Dec., 1861, and the latest last December. The information contained in these papers affords an interesting inside view of rebellion, relative to domestic troubles and wants.

One of the letters is addressed to a distinguished member of the family of Louis NAPOLEON, while thanking the Emperor for his efforts to induce the Great Powers to interfere in our affairs, it urges the continuance of his "kind offices," with the assurance of the writer that they will be successful in the end.

A Mrs. GILMAN, alluded to, is the wife of Gen. GILMAN. Mrs. MYERS is a daughter of the late Gen. TWIGGS.

Mr. VIZETELLE is correspondent and artist of the *Illustrated London Times*, and writes also for one or two French papers. He was quite indignant, when accompanying Bull Run Russell, because our Government refused him a pass to go to the Army of the Potomac. He had just then returned from the West, where he boasted he had done brilliant service against the rebels. He always insisted that he was strongly with the North, and despised the rebels.

Gen. N. SAUNDERS, writing to his son, December last, says:

"My steamers are really the only thing abroad in which the nation has really much interest. It is the only thing that officers and men, army and navy, and BULLDOM's steamers only are preying on the enemy's commerce. We want more than that now. We want *success*, or we must *die*. Mr. MASON will, I am sure, take the right view. *All other projects sink into insignificance compared to the construction of my six steamers.* He thinks Congress, and so thinks every intelligent man with whom I have conversed. You must present the case to Mr. MASON in every point of view. These steamers can open and keep open the port of New-Orleans to our cotton, and one *week's trade will pay the nation three times their cost.*

I would secure my trunks and all presents until your return."

SAUNDERS under-hook embraces heavy orders for Liverpool cotton and pine, French corsets, tea, jewelry, shoes for various ladies, Mrs. Jeff. DAVIS included. Letters show the men want boots, principally.

European capitalists are advised to invest in cotton, and that great scarcity of cotton and woolen goods exists in the South.

Among other things the war is represented as terrible; Richmond is much altered, and its citizens turned extortioners.

A Plan for Restoring the National Credit.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

SIR: It being almost a foregone conclusion that Congress will pass either the financial measure introduced by Mr. STEVENS, or its substitute, prepared by Mr. HOOPER, (as is asserted,) in conjunction with Secretary CHASE, we may with little chance of disappointment, look forward to a further large issue of irredeemable paper money. Neither Secretary CHASE, nor the Committee of Ways and Means, however, seem to have much confidence in the funding of the debt thus created, in 6 ⅌ cent. 20 years Bonds at par, and as there seems to be but very little chance of Congress agreeing to the "national banking scheme" of Secretary CHASE, I thought to lay the task of those who are intrusted with the management of the finances of the country to offer to the holders of its paper money a bond which, whilst it holds out sufficient inducement to them for an exchange, makes the rate of interest and terms of repayment advantageous and easy for Government. The fact is too palpable to require a lengthy explanation, that Government cannot, without the most disastrous consequences, go on issuing paper money for an indefinite period, still successes in the field so far restore its credit as to enable it to negotiate its bonds, at a less humiliating, not to say ruinous rate, than it could do at present.

Unless the public is willing to exchange the paper money for bonds and by thus returning it to the dealers of Government, limit the issues to a reasonable amount, the whole system must totally be wrecked, involving everybody in common ruin.

I think that the following plan would offer sufficient temptation to all classes, and that a loan on the terms stipulated in it would be rapidly absorbed by the public, and thus return the legal tender notes to the Treasury.

PLAN

For a Loan of Five Hundred Million Dollars, to be issued in Five Million Bonds of One Hundred Dollars each, redeemable in thirty years as follows: An annual drawing of 166,400 Bonds, to take place on the first of May. The 166,400 Bonds thus drawn to draw for ground (as stipulated below) on the first of September. The Bonds drawing blanks to be redeemed at par ($100 each) with interest, at the rate of 3 ⅌ cent. per annum added thereto:

List of Annual Prizes and Drawing of the year 1864.

2	prizes of $500,000 each	$1,000,000
4	prizes of 250,000 each	1,000,000
8	prizes of 100,000 each	800,000
8	prizes of 50,000 each	400,000
16	prizes of 25,000 each	400,000
20	prizes of 15,000 each	300,000
40	prizes of 10,000 each	400,000
60	prizes of 5,000 each	300,000
70	prizes of 3,000 each	210,000
164	prizes of 1,500 each	295,000
400	prizes, amounting in all to	$5,000,000
166,000	blanks at $100 each, 1864	17,600,000
	Total payment in 1864	$22,600,000

Thus redeeming, in the year 1864, 166,400 bonds at $100 each, reducing the debt $16,640,000.

1856	600	65,000,000	100,000	3.00	97	17,000,000	3%	102.00	97,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1857	600	do.	do.	3.00	100	18,000,000	do.	99.00	99,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1858	600	do.	do.	3.00	102	18,000,000	do.	98.00	98,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1859	600	do.	do.	3.00	110	19,000,000	do.	97.00	97,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1860	600	do.	do.	3.00	116	19,000,000	do.	96.00	96,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1861	600	do.	do.	3.00	124	20,000,000	120,000,000	95.00	95,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1862	600	do.	do.	3.00	131	21,000,000	126,000,000	94.00	94,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1863	600	do.	do.	3.00	138	22,000,000	132,000,000	93.00	93,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1864	600	do.	do.	3.00	145	23,000,000	138,000,000	92.00	92,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1865	600	do.	do.	3.00	152	24,000,000	144,000,000	91.00	91,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1866	600	do.	do.	3.00	159	25,000,000	150,000,000	90.00	90,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1867	600	do.	do.	3.00	167	26,000,000	156,000,000	89.00	89,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1868	600	do.	do.	3.00	174	27,000,000	162,000,000	88.00	88,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1869	600	do.	do.	3.00	181	28,000,000	168,000,000	87.00	87,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1870	600	do.	do.	3.00	189	29,000,000	174,000,000	86.00	86,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1871	600	do.	do.	3.00	197	30,000,000	180,000,000	85.00	85,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1872	600	do.	do.	3.00	206	31,000,000	186,000,000	84.00	84,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1873	600	do.	do.	3.00	215	32,000,000	192,000,000	83.00	83,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1874	600	do.	do.	3.00	224	33,000,000	198,000,000	82.00	82,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1875	600	do.	do.	3.00	233	34,000,000	204,000,000	81.00	81,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1876	600	do.	do.	3.00	243	35,000,000	210,000,000	80.00	80,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1877	600	do.	do.	3.00	253	36,000,000	216,000,000	79.00	79,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1878	600	do.	do.	3.00	263	37,000,000	222,000,000	78.00	78,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1879	600	do.	do.	3.00	273	38,000,000	228,000,000	77.00	77,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1880	600	do.	do.	3.00	283	39,000,000	234,000,000	76.00	76,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1881	600	do.	do.	3.00	293	40,000,000	240,000,000	75.00	75,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1882	600	do.	do.	3.00	303	41,000,000	246,000,000	74.00	74,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1883	600	do.	do.	3.00	313	42,000,000	252,000,000	73.00	73,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1884	600	do.	do.	3.00	323	43,000,000	258,000,000	72.00	72,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1885	600	do.	do.	3.00	333	44,000,000	264,000,000	71.00	71,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1886	600	do.	do.	3.00	343	45,000,000	270,000,000	70.00	70,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1887	600	do.	do.	3.00	353	46,000,000	276,000,000	69.00	69,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1888	600	do.	do.	3.00	363	47,000,000	282,000,000	68.00	68,000,000	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1889	600	do.	do.	3.00	373	48,000,000	288,000,000	67.00	67,

FROM THE REBEL STATES.

The Anti-peace Movement Against Wheldon and Goldsboro'.

A GROWL AGAINST IMPRESSMENT.

Rebel Views of Northern Sentiment.

AUCTION PRICES IN RICHMOND.

We have files of Richmond papers to the 16th inst., inclusive. We find the following dispatches from North Carolina in the Richmond *Whig* of that date:

WILMINGTON, Wednesday, Jan. 14.

All quiet here. It is believed that the fleet and land forces have left Newbern and Fort Macon. Their destination is, probably, Goldsboro and Wilmington, simultaneously. All non-combatants have been requested to leave town.

RALEIGH, Saturday, Jan. 15.

The *State Journal* has advices from Kinston of this date. "Forty regiments of Abolitionists left Newbern yesterday in the direction of Wilmington, crossing Brice's Creek. A courier from Maj. NEWSOME reached Kinston this morning, and says the enemy, six to ten thousand strong, are advancing toward Kinston, concentrating at Cole Creek.

In connection with the above, the following extract from a communication of Gov. LETCHER to the Virginia Legislature is of interest:

"*Recently many of the soldiers of Virginia in the discharge of duty have gone to North Carolina and elsewhere, posts of danger, where they soon may be engaged in severe and bloody battles.* All the indications point with unerring certainty to one or more great battles on the coast of our noble sister State, in which Virginians are to play, I trust, no unimportant part. Our soldiers absent from home and family will require attention—clothing will be needed—delicacies for the sick and wounded will be required—and it will be our duty, as well as our pleasure, to provide for their comfort, and for the preservation of their lives."

A GROWL AGAINST IMPRESSMENT.

From the Richmond Whig.

The President, in his message, apologizes indirectly for the seizure of private property, by what he calls the "power of impressment," by alleging the insufficiency of transportation. He recommends that the exercise of this power be guarded by judicious provisions against perversion or abuse, and be under due regulation of law. This is all very well, but it would have been far more consistent with a Government of freedom and law if, before exercising this tyrannical power, the right to do so had been obtained from the law-making authority. There has existed no necessity for its exercise at all. It is a slander upon the people of Virginia to assert that such necessity has existed. As a general rule they have willingly sold their produce to the Government, at the Government's own price—even when that price was half the market price. In other cases, the parties have not refused to sell, so far as we have heard, but only demanded the market value, which the Government refused to give. *For the sake of a few dollars, the Government set aside all law and justice, and resorted to force to rob individuals of their property, while millions were being lavished upon favorites.* It is a striking illustration of the injustice of this proceeding, that the price at which the Government is impressing flour is from twenty-five dollars less than the price paid by the Government to the Crenshaws.

One would suppose that common sense would dictate, that a Government like ours, *dependent for its very existence upon the affection and confidence of the country*, would spare no means to secure that confidence and affection. But, so far from this, the disposition seems to exist *to harass and alienate the people by every species of petty tyranny.* This has been especially the cause with respect to the great agricultural population, on which, at last, rests the sole hope for the national salvation. Nothing but their whole-souled devotion to the same could have made them submit in quiet to the violation of law and wanton insults on all their rights. It is difficult to assign a reason for this absurd and extraordinary policy. Possibly the solution may be found in *the vast number of Jews and Yankees, who, having no sympathy for our people, and no regard for their feelings and interest, have insinuated themselves into the management of our affairs.*

The system of impressment as conducted at present, operates unequally, and, consequently, unjustly and oppressively. Persons residing near the armies, or convenient to the railroads and canal, are those only who feel its burdens. While they are forced to sacrifice half the value of their property, neighbors a few miles distant go scot free, or have theirs enhanced in price by the Government seizure. Our people are willing to do anything for the cause, but they have a right to demand that the burdens should be equal, and imposed upon all alike, and by the law of the land. Their property is at the service of the Government, but let it be taken on fair terms, and for such compensation as the Government can give.

We not write this to inflame the just discontent which exists, but in the hope of inducing such action on the part of Congress as will tend to appease it. Our people have been accustomed to law, and they abhor the unnecessary intrusion of military violence. Congress cannot pass a law on the subject which does not recognize "just compensation" for private property appropriated to public use, and which does not also, in estimating that compensation, to some extent recognize the depreciation of the currency. A late line that of the State of Virginia would meet all the demands of the Government, satisfy the people, and above all, preserve our character as a Government of liberty and law.

CHANGE IN NORTHERN SENTIMENT.

Making Gov. SEYMOUR's Message its text, the Richmond *Whig* discourses as follows:

"If one might judge Yankees on the same principles we employ in judging the rest of mankind, it might be safe to conclude that some convulsion was impending. *The Fall elections in the North, and especially that of New-York, have been followed by a most wonderful revolution in words and actions, both by Government and people.* For eighteen months, a reign of terror, cruel and relentless, prevailed throughout the Northern States. The freedom of the Press and of speech was shackled, all the liberties of the citizen were in abeyance, arbitrary arrests by telegraph, and incarceration without trial, were the order of the day. But as soon as SEYMOUR was elected Governor of New-York, the prison doors were opened, the victims of tyranny were set free, and it was given out that no more arrests in the loyal States would be made. From this, it would appear that SEWARD thought there was something more than a mere formality in that election—that it meant something real, threatening and practical. At the same time the Northern papers, who are endowed with the most scurrilous tongues of any set of blackguards since the days of the Roman Plebs, and who had been dumb as oysters during the whole Reign of Terror, recovered the use of their tongues and their capacity for vituperation. They have not been sparing in the exercise of this talent, and no rebel print can compare with some of them in the bitterness and ferocity of the attacks upon their late idols. This, too, may mean something. As free speech and tyranny cannot long consist, it may be that the downfall of the tyrants may be at hand.

While this remarkable change has come over the Yankee Government and press, *the army appears to have felt the influence.* At this very time, several of the most distinguished of their Generals are arraigned before Courts of Inquiry, some for disobedience of orders, some for incompetency and some for treason, and Generals are summoned as witnesses to testify against Generals. The spectacle is refreshing. If it were any one else than Yankees, who are engaged in this infernous war, we should not hesitate to predict a catastrophe. Very high authority tells us that a house divided against itself must fall. But the Yankees are exceptional. They are *sui generis*, and are governed by rules not applicable to Christianized communities. Throw a cat into the air as you may, and he will fall upon his feet. So it may be with the Yankees. *Discord and willpondling and wrangling among themselves, may not be attended with the same evil as with them as with others.* The result must decide.

FROM FREDERICKSBURGH.

Correspondence of the Richmond Whig.

FREDERICKSBURGH, Friday, Jan. 9, 1863.

How long before there will be a change in "the situation" here is, of course, dependent on the movements of the enemy. The report that 46,000 had gone from Winter-quarters at Mattapax Point is not well sustained yet. Enough, so far, seems to be known here, the main body of the enemy is still on the Rappahannock side of the river, not very far from their positions before the battle. The ever-vigilant LEE and his Generals will frustrate their designs sufficiently early to fix another "On to Richmond" movement. One of the enemy's pickets observing one of our men with a hoe or spade, apparently digging, a day or two since, said: "You needn't be diggin' up that ground. *Yankees no doubt unconsciously expressed the real* [illegible]

A flag of truce came over to-day. Unfortunately, there are many of our friends in Stafford County within the enemy's lines, who did not anticipate the present occasion of affording communications, applications are made every day in the General commanding the communication from the other side—Gen. BURNSIDE—for permission to cross the river. The means generally accomplishing this is as follows: Application is made in writing to the General commanding the side from which the applicant wishes to come or go, and sent to headquarters for approval. If approved, it is forwarded, by flag of truce, to the other side for a similar ordeal. This sometimes occupies several days. If the case of an applicant who wishes to remain on either side temporarily, permission is rarely granted. The Yankee officials who accompany the flag of truce manifest a disposition to converse freely and hobnob it with ours—sometimes over a flask of the "*anti-fogmatic*," which they often bring with them.

It is difficult to estimate, or to express, in adequate terms, the privations and distress entailed upon the refined and intelligent population of this once happy, but now sunked and desolate city. Refugees are scattered through the surrounding country and along the railroad from this city to Richmond. Furniture and other household articles, saved from the ruthless hands of the Yankee vandals, are being constantly removed to "Hamilton's Crossing;" and the transportation is far from sufficient to meet the hourly applications made by the few remaining men and lonely widows to the officers successively in command here, who exert every effort to accommodate. The *demands of the army are great, corn and fodder being to be hauled, fifty miles.* The weather, for several days, has been most delightful—beautiful, balmy days succeeded by gorgeous moonlight nights.

DESTRUCTION AT HOLLY SPRINGS.

From the Richmond Whig, Jan. 10.

We have already published a statement from the correspondent of a New-York paper, who estimates the Yankee loss at Holly Springs at $8,000,000. The amount of goods captured and their value will astonish our readers. It is greatly to be regretted that the "100,000" suits of clothing could not have been retained; but we have the satisfaction of knowing that, for the want of them, the Yankee soldiers will suffer greatly. The Southern account, from an eye-witness, says:

The surprised camp surrendered 1,500 men and 100 commissioned officers, who were immediately paroled. And then commenced the work of destruction. The extensive buildings of the Mississippi Central Depot, the station-house, the engine houses and immense store-houses, were filled with supplies of clothing and commissary stores. Outside of the depot the barrels of flour, estimated a half mile in length, one hundred and fifty feet through, and fifteen feet high. Turpentine was thrown over this, and the whole amount destroyed. Up town, the Court-house and public buildings, livery stables and all occupied establishments were filled, ceiling high, with medical and ordnance stores. These were all fired, and the explosion of one of the buildings, in which was stored one hundred barrels of powder, knocked down nearly all the houses on the south side of the square. Surely such a scene of devastation was never before presented to the eye of man. Glance at the gigantic estimates.

1,500,000 fixed cartridges and other ordnance stores, valued at $1,500,000, including 5,000 rifles and 2,000 revolvers.

100,000 suits of clothing and other Quartermaster stores, valued at $500,000; 5,000 barrels of flour and other commissary stores, valued at $500,000.

$1,000,000 worth of medical stores, for which invoices to that amount were exhibited, and 1,000 bales of cotton and $600,000 worth of sutlers' stores.

As there was no time to remove these immense stores from the buildings which contained them, they were all destroyed, comprising the Mississippi Central Depot, engine-houses and store-houses, the most elegant and capacious in all the South, the court-house, livery stable, and the largest buildings on the public square.

While the capture of the camp, parolling of the prisoners and destroying of the stores were going on, the Texas Rangers, comprising the Ninth, Sixth and Third Legions, became engaged with the Michigan cavalry, and drove them, pell-mell, through town, and run them off North, with considerable loss to the Abolitionists and a loss of thirty-in killed and wounded on our part.

The ladies rushed out from the houses, wild with joy, crying out, "There's some at the Fair Grounds. Chase them, kill them, for God's sake." One lady said: "The Yankee commandant of the post is in my house; come and catch him;" and a search was instituted, but without success; when the noble woman insisted that he was there, concealed; and finally, after much ado, the gallant (save the mark!) Col. MEGRAY, the intrepid Yankee commandant of Holly Springs, was pulled out from under his bed, and presented himself in his nocturnal habiliments to his captors.

MORGAN'S OPERATIONS IN KENTUCKY.

From the Winchester (Tenn.) Bulletin, Jan. 9.

Gen. MORGAN's command returned to Tennessee Saturday last. In their campaign in Kentucky the Bacon Creek, Nolin, Elizabethtown, Shepherdsville, (eighteen miles from Louisville,) and other bridges were totally destroyed for the distance of eighty miles. The trestle work of the two first was at Muldrough's Hill, twelve hundred feet long and ninety feet high, and burnt and completely destroyed.

Approaching Elizabethtown, Gen. MORGAN received a communication from the commanding officer of the Yankees to surrender his force, as he had him (MORGAN) completely surrounded. Gen. MORGAN, in reply, ordered the Federal commander himself to surrender, and, upon his refusing to do so, opened three batteries upon the city, after having given timely notice to the women and children to leave. After a bombardment of one hour and a half, the Federal force of seven hundred men surrendered, securing to us a vast quantity of arms and Government stores. The city was considerably damaged by the bombardment, but no citizen was injured.

In the fight at the trestle Gen. MORGAN captured another regiment, with all their arms and stores.

The number of prisoners captured at Bardstown, Nolin, Bacon Creek and other places, amounted to two thousand.

At Springfield Gen. MORGAN was surrounded by twenty-six thousand of the enemy, and for awhile it seemed his situation was desperate, but he escaped with his entire command.

In moving from Springfield to Campbellville Gen. HOLLEBY, commanding the Federal forces and harrassing MORGAN's rear, was killed in a hand to hand encounter with Lieut. EASTON. The fight occurred in a creek, and the body of Gen. HOLLEBY was dragged from the water and carried to an adjacent house. Two members of his staff also came up with three of Gen. MORGAN's men—Capt. THURLE, Lieut. EASTON and a private. HOLLEBY was attended by two of his staff—Capt. EDWARDS and his orderly. A fight ensued, in which Gen. HOLLEBY was killed by Lieut. EASTON. Capt. EDWARDS and HOLLEBY's orderly were captured by Capt. THURLE. The fight was a hand to hand affair, and the combatants were in the creek at the time.

The destruction of the railroad is complete from Green River to Shepherdsville, a distance of 75 miles. Shepherdsville is 18 miles from Louisville.

AUCTION PRICES IN RICHMOND.

One of the most extensive auction sales of dry goods which has occured in this city took place yesterday, (Thursday,) at the warehouse of Messrs. KERR, PAINE & Co. The following is a list of the prices of the prominent articles:

Black and white prints, $1 97½; fancy do., $1 95@$2 07½; gray cassimere, $6@$7 50; satinet, $4 50@$4 70; 3-4 full ed cloth, $5@$5 50; 6-4 do., $11; Scotch ginghams, $2; country jeans, $4 75; white flannel, $2 50@$5 50; red do., $2 75; red twilled do., $3 12½; Coats' spool cotton, $5 25@$5 75; American prints, $0 90@$0; English do., $10 75; patent thread, $9 50@$10; black cloth, $19; black French delaines, $4 25@$4 75; gray poplins, $2 75; black alpacas, $3 75@$6 37½; 1-8 brown shirtings, 56c.@60c.; 4-4 do. 74c.; American delaines, $2 62½; English do., $2 50; note paper, $30 ⅌ ream; cap, $30@$41; letter do., $24@$27. The sale commenced at 10 o'clock A. M., and continued with brief intermission until 7 o'clock P. M.

DEATH OF HON. JOHN BRANCH.

Hon. JOHN BRANCH died at Enfield, North Carolina, on the 4th inst., in the 86th year of his age. He was formerly Governor of that State, a member of the United States Senate, Secretary of the Navy under Gen. JACKSON, and Territorial Governor of Florida.

Passengers Arrived.

In steamship America, from Aspinwall.—W. Jewett and mother, R. E. Searles and lady, W. A. Simmons, Mr. Fairfield, Mrs. Gordon and 4 children, Mr. Tilton, Mrs. Dowling, Mrs. Cory, S. Buckner, Mr. Gorlinck, J. F. Turner, Mrs. Potter and child, J. Colyer, Col. Knox, Mrs. H. Smith, Mrs. Nichols, J. McClintock, E. R. Humphreys, J. Morse, George Satcher, E. Hitchcock, S. H. Crawford, J. Carroll, W. Berrian, J. Johnson, W. McClane, J. Brown, C. Potter, D. B. Barnes, W. Meikel, Mrs. Kelton, J. Goodnow, H. R. Hee, S. B. Wescott, H. Holmes, John Babcock, Miss Griffin, Mrs. Wood and infant, Miss Mosly, M. Potter, Jr., Mrs. Martin and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kendall, Mrs. Perkins, J. Henry, J. D. Stephens, E. E. Griffin, George VanBrunck, Wm. Dunne, C. Remson, W. H. Bradly, T. Wilbron, Y. A. Howard, H. McGregor, J. Reed, Wm. Eaton, A. S. Fay, S. Nevers, C. Godfrey, A. Nedeau, T. S. Godfrey, E. Martindale, E. Springer, S. Corey, A. H. Gardener, J. D. Miller, M. Jessica, E. H. Cutler, T. A. McCormick, C. A. Vedder, J. W. Barker, H. Richardson, G. L. Healdy, E. Rubbard, Capt. Borden, John Haywood, J. Simmons, Joseph Tobias, G. Kelly, Miss Helden, Mr. Waterman, Mr. Hamilton, Wm. Jones, H. McIntire and lady, and 416 in the steerage.

In steamship Champion, from Aspinwall.—Richard J. Balch, W. L. Perkins, R. Robinson, Y. Smith, H. M. Lockwood, L. T. Sanford, Rev. J. A. Danforth, Daniel Bagley and wife, E. Byrne, Rev. Mr. McClernand and wife, A. J. Osborn, Capt. J. McNabb, J. Robertson and wife, Caroline Ashley, A. H. Kent, and a good complement in the second cabin and steerage.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....MONDAY, Jan. 19.

Cleared.

Ship Orient, Hill, London, Spofford, Tileston & Co.
Barks Verita, (Ital.,) Cunzo, Antwerp, Funch, Meincke & Wendt; Charles Edwin, Trow, Havana, J. F. Ward & Co.; W. A. Palmer, Doty, Philadelphia, Jesup Hand, Co.; Ellen, Hall, Boston, Funch, Meincke & Wendt.
Brigs Ocean Wave, Alston, Funch, Meincke & Wendt.
Schs. [illegible], Jr., Jr., West, Havre-de-Grace, Gregg & Curry; J. L. Thompson, Thompson, Hammond & Co.; Mariner, Bray, Boston, J. H. Shoemaker & Co.; Reliance, (Br.,) Richardson, Clarke, Tucker & Lightbourne; J. B. Elwell, (Br.,) Murphy, Curacoa, D. Ellis Wolf; J. W. Hanes, Bathbone, Palermo, D. E. De Wolf; Hannah, (Br.,) Holden, Bermuda, McCall & Smith.
Schooners Soulta, Hole, Port Maria, Jam., E. F. Small & Co.; E. Hamilton, Rulan, Accomac, F. J. Campbell; Monmouth, Anderson, Washington, A. H. Sibley; D. Smith, Williams, Philadelphia, J. W. McKee; R. Corson, Eligh, Philadelphia, J. W. McKee; Sea Breeze, Leach, Madeira, Thomas Dunham.

Arrived.

Ship Lammerlaw, Watts, London and Deal Nov. 28, with coal to Kesmith & Sons. Had westerly winds most of the passage.
Bark Harry Booth, Drummond, Havana Jan. 8, in ballast to J. E. Ward. Left in co. with brig Proteus, for New-York.
Bark Lucy Ellis, Thurlow, Grand Turk 6 ds., with salt to Brett, Son & Co.
Brig Ocean Eagle, (of Guilford, Conn.,) Fossett, Sarcoa River, W. C. A., 13 ds., with palm oil, camwood, &c., to W. Lane, Lawrence & Co.
Brig Minna Schiffer, Connaston, Matamoras 15 ds., in ballast to E. A. J. Schiffer.
Brig Mathilde, (Pr.,) Rio, St. Thomas 19 ds., in ballast to order.
Brig Walkraen, (Swed.,) Nesberg, Bordeaux 49 ds., with mdse. to order.
Schr. Willow Harp, (of Port Jefferson,) Davis, Guadaloupe Dec. 20, and Fortune Island Jan. 10, with salt to E. F. Sanford & Co.
Schr. Maria L. Davis, (of Boston,) Deane, Minatitlan, Mex., 19 ds., with mdse. to Bennett & Nickerson. Jan. 14, 15 miles S. of Abaccom, saw a hermo. brig ashore, with all sails flying, apparently just gone on.
Schr. Rescue, Bacon, Norfolk 9 ds., with wood.
Schr. Yankee Blade, Van Gilder, Alexandria 6 ds., in ballast, to master.
Schr. Henry French, Darby, Alexandria 6 ds., in ballast to master.
Schr. Eliza Hamilton, Ruland, New-Haven for Tangier.
Schr. E. A. Elliott, DeGeest, Yonsicoda 4 ds., with wood.
Schr. Jacob Bispham, Hand, Georgetown, DC., wood.
Schr. Benjamin Smith, Allen, Fall River, in ballast.
Schr. Frank Lucas, Taylor, Providence, for Deale Island.
Schr. Nile, Ellis, Bath 5 ds., with barley to E. F. Buck & Co.
Schr. Granite State, Baker, Boston 3 ds., with mdse. to E. W. Lewis & Co.
Schr. Hettie Coombs, Coombs, St. Thomas 17 ds., in ballast to master.
Schr. Amanda, Kelly, Fall River 36 hours, in ballast.
Sloop Aldine, Lambert, Boston for Philadelphia.
Sloop Vincenia, Aldrich, West Point, with ordnance.
Sloop Van Tassel, Avery, West Point, with ordnance.
Sloop J. H. Boardman, Collins, Fall River, mdse, &c.

Below.

Ship Santa Anna, Bates, fm. London and Portsmouth Oct. 29.
Ship William H. Wharton, Jones, Havre Dec. 2.
Ship Arctic, Zerega, Liverpool Dec. 12, to Zerega & Co.
Bark Wilhelmine, (Norw.,) 103 ds. fm. Cardiff.

Sailed.

U. S. steam battery Weehawken, for Fortress Monroe, in tow of steam pilot-boat Independent.
Ships Kate, (Brem.,) Dolphin, (Br.,) Parliament.
Bark Theresa, (Pr.,)
Brigs Henry B. Hull, (Br.,) Ada.
Schr. Cyclone.
Steamer Thomas Swann.

By Telegraph.

BOSTON, Jan. 19.—Arr. steamer Norman, Philadelphia; ships Edward, Calcutta; Melocka, Liverpool; barks Starlight, Alpena Bay; Speedwell, Saguenay; brig St. Shepard, Philadelphia.

NEWPORT, R. I., Jan. 19.—Arr. brig Elmira, (of Portland,) Hall, Sagua, for Boston.

Miscellaneous.

SOUTHAMPTON, SUFFOLK COUNTY, L. I., Jan. 17.—The brig Pilot Fish, of Boston, from West Indies, with a cargo of logwood, came ashore Friday morning, during a heavy gale; crew saved. She has foremast cut away, and lies well up on the beach.—(By letter to Ellwood Walter, Sec. Seamen's Board of Underwriters.)

Capt. Laughlin, of steam transport W. P. Clyde, which arrived yesterday, reports on the 17th, at 12:40 P. M., passed a berm. brig ashore about one mile north of Carson's Inlet, sails all furled, stern on, and apparently a total wreck.

The Br. brig F. Baldorf, reported as below by pilot boat, was the H. Havelock, since arrived.

Foreign Ports.

At Grand Turk Jan. 10, brig Lizzie Barnard, Barnard, for New-York, in about 4 ds.; schr. Breeze, for New-York in 4 ds.

At Mimatitlan, Dec. 30, brig John L. Stevens, Hopkins, for Boston, ldg., to sail in about 15 ds.; Jacobs Johannes, (Dutch,) for Falmouth, for orders, ready; bark Clansy, (Br.,) for England, ready; schr. Alice Leach, for New-York, mdse.

At Havana Jan. 9, steamship Tybal Cain, hence, arr. Jan. 7; ship Thomas Jefferson, fm. Nassau, arr. 6th; Ocean Ranger, for New-York, and others.

[PER AMERICA.]

Arr. at Aspinwall Dec. 29, Am. bark Scotland, fm. Cardiff; ship Prairie, (Br.,) Smith, E. Drummond, fm. New-York; George Conway; Jan. 1, steamer Chesapeake, New-York; Sarah Wilson; brig Hancock, Boston, Elisha Gibbs; bark Mary, Boston, Freeman Gibbs; Kanika, New-York, C. Chapman; 3d, bark Sherwood, New-York, G. W. Bailey. Old Dom, 5th, Am. brig Costa Rica, for New-York; Jan. 1, bark Magdalena, for New-York; 8th, steamers America and Champion, for New-York.

Arr. at Valparaiso Dec. 4, Am. ship Kate Hunter, Callao; Christopher Hall, California. 3d, Dec. 4, ship Monsoon, Yokohama.

Sailed, Am. brig Ida H. Rogers, fm. California for Jamaica, lat. 3s 25 S., lon. 113 W., Nov. 15.

SECOND EDITION.

TUESDAY, ONE O'CLOCK, P. M.

TWO DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

Arrival of the Arabia at Halifax.

Rumors of Mediation in American Affairs.

NAPOLEON III. TO PROPOSE AN ARMISTICE.

England Declines to Cooperate.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

HALIFAX, Tuesday, Jan. 20.

The steamship *Arabia*, from Liverpool on the 10th, and Queenstown on the 11th instant, arrived here at 6½ o'clock this morning. Her dates are two days later than those already received.

The *Arabia* has 24 passengers for Boston.

Reports were again current that the Emperor NAPOLEON intends to recommend an armistice between the North and the South.

The American Minister, Mr. DAYTON, had an interview with the French Minister for Foreign Affairs, and also with the Emperor.

It was also asserted that the English Government would persevere in refusing to interfere in American matters in any manner.

Sympathizing addresses to President LINCOLN had been adopted in London and Birmingham.

The British Parliament was convoked for the 8th of January.

The Liverpool Chamber of Commerce have resolved to give a suitable reception to the officers of the first ship from America with provisions for the distressed operatives.

The main English journals indignantly repudiate the recent advocacy of Slavery by the London *Times*, on Scriptural grounds.

A ship had reached Liverpool, with 1,700 bales of Cotton, from the Cape of Good Hope, raised from Sea Island Cotton seed.

Another vessel brought 800 bales from Portugal.

A new brigade of French troops was to embark for Mexico about the middle of January.

The bank of Geneva & Co., of Lyons, had suspended.

In the Liverpool market on Friday Flour declined sixpence. WHEAT was steady. CORN firmer; sales of mixed at 23s. 2d.@23s. 6d. BEEF declined 2s. 6d. PORK very dull. BACON still declining. LARD easier. BUTTER quiet but steady. PETROLEUM dull and unchanged.

The Bullion in the Bank of England has decreased £321,000.

Consols closed on Friday at 93¼@93¾ for money.

Erie shares 43½@44.

Illinois Central 40¾@41¼ discount.

United States Fives 62@63.

United States Sixes 70@71.

LATEST PER ARABIA.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, Jan. 10—Evening.

COTTON—Sales to-day 5,000 bales. The market [illegible] to-day [illegible] quiet and steady. [illegible] for money [illegible] Illinois Central shares 41@43 discount. Erie 43½@44.

LIVERPOOL, Sunday, Jan. 11.

The political news is unimportant.

QUEENSTOWN, Sunday, Jan. 11.

Arrived from New-York, *Electric*, at Torbay; *Alsatian*, to Kingsend; *Howland*, at Waterford.

Arrived from New-Orleans, *Sumter*, at Cadiz.

The *Iris*, from Liverpool for San Francisco, has put back.

The ship *Seth Spragie* is ashore near Antwerp.

From Fortress Monroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, Sunday, Jan. 18.

The steamship *Vanderbilt* came up Hampton Roads last evening at 9 o'clock.

The new and neat little side-wheel steamer *C. W. Thomas* arrived at Fortress Monroe this forenoon, and immediately left for City Point, in company with the steamboat *New-York*, in charge of Capt. MURPHY, to bring down Union prisoners.

The steamer *Kansas* sails for New-York to-morrow morning.

WILLIAM ARNOLD died at Fort Monroe on the night of the 16th. He was master mechanic of the Army Ordnance Machine shop at this place.

From Trenton.

PRESENTATION OF A CANE TO SENATOR WALL—INAUGURATION OF THE GOVERNOR ELECT.

TRENTON, N. J., Monday, Jan. 19.

This evening a splendid cane was presented to Senator WALL by citizens of Lodi, Bergen County, and was received by Major ISAAC R. WILSON, in the absence of the Senator. A number of speeches were made on the occasion.

The Governor elect will be inaugurated to-morrow at 12 o'clock. A large number of military companies and citizens will be present.

Daring Robbery at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Jan. 19.

During banking hours to-day, a man entered the banking-house of JAY, COOK & Co. and carried off one of a number of bags of gold lying on the counter, awaiting shipment to New-York. The bag contained $5,000. The thief was subsequently arrested at a jewelry-store on Chestnut-street and the money recovered.

The Speakership of the Assembly.

ALBANY, Monday, Jan. 19.

There are no new developments about Speaker. The *Argus* and *Journal* to-day both contain articles favoring such an organization as by honorable concessions on each side and a fair division of patronage, will compromise neither party and facilitate wholesome legislation.

Supreme Court Injunction.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Jan. 19.

The Supreme Court announces that it will issue an injunction against the laying of the freight railroad on Broad-street, designed to connect the New-York and Baltimore Railroad lines.

Fire at Portage City, Wis.

PORTAGE CITY, Wis., Monday, Jan. 19.

A fire in this place last night destroyed the railroad passenger house, the freight warehouses, and an elevator containing 15,000 bushels of wheat. Loss $35,000.

The Pennsylvania State Treasurership.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Jan. 19.

Mr. MCGRATH, the Democratic nominee for State Treasurer, was elected to that office to-day by the Legislature.

Relief for the English Poor.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Jan. 19.

The bark *Achilles*, with over 5,000 barrels of flour for the relief of the English poor, sailed this afternoon.

Marine Disaster.

BOSTON, Monday, Jan. 19.

The schooner *J. W.*, from New-York for Boston, put into Holmes' Hole to-day, leaky, having been in contact with the schooner *Golden Knight*, of Rockport.

Fire at Cornhill.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

CORNHILL, N. Y., Sunday, Jan. 18, 1863.

A fire broke out at the head of Maine-street, in this village, last night at about 11½ o'clock, and consumed some six buildings, mostly occupied as dwellings. Loss from $8,000 to $10,000, partially covered by insurance. YEOMAN, &c. X.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

BROOKLYN COMMON COUNCIL.—At a meeting of the Common Council last night, the name of TAMPHELIS C. CALLIGNE was, on motion of Alderman NEWMAN, of the Fourth Ward, stricken from the list of Commissioners of *Deeds* for the City of Brooklyn. The vote was 10 Ayes to 6 Noes. The President (Alderman O'KEEFE) announced the following Standing Committees for the year 1863:

On Laws, &c.—Messrs. Toman, Strong, O'Keefe, Fisher, Talmage.

On Finance—Messrs. O'Keefe, Whitney, Wallace.

On Opening Streets—Messrs. Talmage, Perry, E. Murphy.

On Grading and Paving—Messrs. Talmage, Strong, M. Murphy.

On Assessments—Messrs. Whitney, Fisher, Newman.

On Water, &c.—Messrs. M. Murphy, Kimball, Murphy.

On Railroads, &c.—Messrs. Saal, Belknap, Ternan.

On Public Lands—Messrs. Whitney, Poster, Saal.

On Fire Department, W. D.—Messrs. McLaughlin, Belknap, Ennis.

On Fire Department, E. D.—Messrs. E. Murphy, Strong, Taylor.

On Supplies, &c.—Messrs. M. Murphy, Perry, McLaughlin.

On Schools, &c.—Messrs. Ternan, Nodyne, Ennis, Kimball, Saal.

On Lamps and Gas—Messrs. Saal, Perry, Talmage.

On Health—Messrs. Ennis, Wallace, Knibfleisch.

On Ferries—Messrs. Newman, Taylor, Fisher.

On War and Military—Messrs. Knibfleisch, Fisher, Nodyne, Taylor.

On Washington Park—Messrs. McLaughlin, Kimball, Belknap.

On Harbor Defences—Messrs. Wallace, Ternan, Knibfleisch, M. Murphy.

AWARD OF CONTRACTS.—At a meeting of the Board of Contracts yesterday morning, the contract for repairing fire apparatus in the Western District was awarded to HENRY SHEE, at $1,110. Mr. SHEE also received the contract for the Eastern District at the same price. The contract for repairing hose in the Western District was awarded to EDWARD MCGONEGAL, at $700; and to JAMES DUGANEE, for the Eastern District, at $500. JAMES WHITE received the contract for repairing lamps in the Western District, at $1,250; and EDWARD WHITE received the contract for doing the same work in the Eastern District. To JOHN H. TENNY was awarded the contract for printing the minutes of the Board, at 35 cents per page. Bids were received for building docks at the foot of North Seventh-street, South Fourth-street and South Sixth-street, which were referred.

THE BROOKLYN PRESS.—The publishers of the Brooklyn *Eagle*, *News* and *Times* (E. D.) have decided to raise the price of their respective papers from one to two cents per copy, to take effect on and after Monday next, the 26th inst.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....TUESDAY, Jan. 20.

Arrived this Forenoon.

Ship Santa Anna, (of Bath.) Bates, London Oct. 16 and Isle of Wight Oct. 20, via Havana Jan. 6, in ballast to G. C. Duncan & Co. Passed the steamship Rio Rio going in to Havana.

Bark R. Churchill, (of Camden,) Cobb, Point Petre Dec. 16, and St. Thomas Jan. 4, in ballast to R. P. Buck & Co.

Schr. Virginia, (Br., of Sydney, C. B.,) McDonald, Halifax 10 ds., with coal to James Hunter & Co. Had very boisterous weather on the passage, split sails, wore bulwarks, &c.

Sailed.

Ship Chelsingh 10, Br. brigs New-Zealand, S. E. Shay and Lady Chapman.
Steamer Star of the South.

Foreign Ports.

[PER ARABIA.]

Arr. fm. New-York Jan. 3, Virginia at Cork; Hermann, at Antwerp; 13, Union, at Tarragona; 6th, Hassle, 8th, Columbia, Wm. Rathbone, Emily Ann, with Universe and Anglo-Saxon; 9th, Compromise and Crescent; 8th, Alsatian, at Liverpool; Linn, at Queenstown.

Arr. fm. Boston Jan. 1, Sirius, Dunning, Table Bay.

Arr. fm. New-York Dec. 3, Ariel, Pinto, Rio Janeiro; Jan. 4, Chancellor, Waterman.

Master Stow, passed the Clyde, fm. New-York, has got back, leaky.

Arr. fm. New-York, Gulielmo, at Deal.

Arr. fm. Boston, Highland Chief, at Deal.

Memo.—The ship Baltic, fm. New-York for Bremen, put into Kinsale leaky, with part of her cargo thrown overboard.

THIRD EDITION.

TUESDAY, THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

Sales at the Stock Exchange....Jan. 20, 1863.

$8,000 U. S. 6s '81, Reg.	95	50 Cum. Coal Pref.	22½
500 U. S. 6s '81 Coup.	95½	50 do.	22½
1,000 do.	95½	100 do.	24
10,000 do.	95½	100 do.	24
1,000 do.	95	100 do.	23½
1,000 U. S. 5s '74, Coup.	88½	5 Pac. Mail S. Co.	160
2,000 U. S. Tre. 1-2-10s	97	200 do.	162
5 Nat.	182	100 do.	162½
1,000 do.	101½	100 do.	162½
10,000 do.	101½	100 do.	166
2,000 do.	101½	100 do.	165
1,000 U. S. 6s, 1 yr. C.	96½	50 do.	166.163
68,000 do.	96½	100 do.	163
20,000 U. S. 5 P. Ct.	100	100 N. Y. Cen. R.	122
15,000 do.	100.100½	100 do.	120
10,000 do.	100½	200 Erie Railway	39
10,000 do.	100½	100 do.	39
5,000 Ill. Cen. R. Bds.	86½	100 do.	73½
1,000 Ill. Cen. Rs. '70	107½	100 do.	73½
12,000 Ill. War Loan	106	100 do.	73½
5,000 Ill. Cen. Bs. '76	100½	100 do.	73½
2,000 Ind. Bs. Co. W.L.	96½	100 do.	73½
2,000 do.	98	100 do.	73½
5,000 do.	98½	100 do.	73½
5,000 Tenn. St. 6s '92	62½	300 Erie Railway Pref.	52½
10,000 do.	62½	200 do.	52½
10,000 Va. St. 6s	62½	100 do.	52½
4,000 N. C. St. 6s	75	500 Hudson Riv. R.	60
3,000 Mo. St. 6s	66½	100 do.	59 59½
6,000 do.	100 66	200 do.	59 59
5,000 do.	66½	200 do.	59 59½
4,000 do.	66	200 Harlem R.	77
3,000 Mo. Ct. Int. to H.	60	200 do.	77
8 St.	27	200 do.	77
2,000 Louisiana St. 6s	70	200 do.	77
4,000 N. Y. C. 6s	114	200 do.	77
10,000 Erie 6d, M. B.	112½	100 do.	77
3,000 Ref. M. Y. & R. 1M.	102	400 do.	77
5,000 Harlem R. 1st M.	118	100 do.	77
10,000 Mich. C. 1st Con.		1000 Harlem R. Pref.	79
1st M. F. & P.	120	100 do.	79
10,000 C. R. I. & Q. 1st Bs.	100	400 Nor. & Wor. R.	33
4,000 Mich. S. 2d M.	103	200 do.	33
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MEDICAL.

NATURE'S REMEDY.

PRIVATE DISEASES CURED IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME, by DR. WARD & CO., No. 2 Division-st., near Canal, without the use of Mercury, loss of time or change of diet. Dr. WARD, from the hospitals of Paris and Edinburgh, is the discoverer of the only certain and safe treatment for the cure of a private character, in 48 years practice, he has cured more cases of Secret Diseases and Wrong Treatment than all the other physicians in this city. I can and will cure you in less time than any one else, or will, and then who have been troubled with Gonorrhœa, Gleet, Stricture, Seminal Weakness, Pain in the Back, Pimples on the Face, Blotches on the Body, Nightly Pains, Aches in the Bones, Joints and Limbs, Nodes, Ulcers, Sore Throat, Mouth and Tongue, Eruptions on the Skin, Ulcerations, Gravel, Diseases of the Urinary Organs, Nervous Debility, Loss of Sexual Power, Impotency, Premature Decay, Lost Manhood, Impotency, Sterility, Diseases of the Kidneys, Bladder, Nervous Irritability, Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Dizziness, Dimness of Sight, Loss of Memory, Pimples on the Face, Blotches on the Body, Nightly Pains, Aches in the Bones, Joints and Limbs, Nodes, Ulcers, Sore Throat, Mouth and Tongue, Eruptions on the Skin, Ulcerations, Gravel, Diseases of the Urinary Organs, Nervous Debility, Loss of Sexual Power, Impotency, Premature Decay, Lost Manhood, Impotency, Sterility, Diseases of the Kidneys, Bladder, Nervous Irritability, Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Dizziness, Dimness of Sight, Loss of Memory, &c. &c. Thirty years of unfailing success in curing the most distressing cases of Secret Diseases and Wrong Treatment that all other physicians have failed to cure. Dr. WARD, the INFALLIBLE, only follow the advertisements of this old and reliable physician. He has no other office but No. 2 Division-st., near the Bowery. Dr. WARD's Infallible Pills and Drops are a safe and certain remedy. Sent to any part of the country by sending a remittance, with a description of disease, or by calling at the office. Dr. WARD, from the hospitals of Paris and Edinburgh, is the discoverer of the only certain and safe treatment for the cure of a private character, in 48 years practice, he has cured more cases of Secret Diseases and Wrong Treatment than all other physicians in this city. I can and will cure you in less time than any one else, or will, and then who have been troubled with Gonorrhœa, Gleet, Stricture, Seminal Weakness, Pain in the Back, Pimples on the Face, Blotches on the Body, Nightly Pains, Aches in the Bones, Joints and Limbs, Nodes, Ulcers, Sore Throat, Mouth and Tongue, Eruptions on the Skin, Ulcerations, Gravel, Diseases of the Urinary Organs, Nervous Debility, Loss of Sexual Power, Impotency, Premature Decay, Lost Manhood, Impotency, Sterility, Diseases of the Kidneys, Bladder, Nervous Irritability, Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Dizziness, Dimness of Sight, Loss of Memory, &c. &c. Thirty years of unfailing success in curing the most distressing cases of Secret Diseases and Wrong Treatment that all other physicians have failed to cure

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

CONGRESS.

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dollars be appropriated for the purpose of making a registry of all the losses of the United States army.

GEN. SHERMAN.

The statement is made by the friends of Gen. SHERMAN, that the recent attack on Vicksburgh was made by direct order of Gen. GRANT, under whose command he was acting, and who failed to inform him of his inability to give him the support expected. The feeling between Gens. McCLERNAND and SHERMAN is entirely friendly.

THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Senator WILSON this morning introduced his bill to promote efficiency in the Medical Department, a synopsis of which has appeared in the TIMES.

NO MOVEMENT.

It is positively stated by persons just up from Fairfax that no movement of the Army has taken place.

THE M'DOWELL CASE.

In the McDowell Court of Inquiry, to-day, Gen. STEVENS, who was expected to testify, having gone to the Army of the Potomac, the proceedings were somewhat meagre. Lieut.-Col. TRACEY and Col. SPAULDING were recalled by Gen. McDOWELL, and examined on isolated points of the preceding evidence, without eliciting anything of particular interest to the public. The correspondence between Gen. FOX and Gen. McDOWELL on the 26th and 27th of August, somewhat voluminous, was laid before the Court by Col. SPAULDING, and tended to show that during those two days Gen. McDOWELL was acting diligently and vigilantly under the orders of Gen. FOX, and promptly forwarding to his officer all the information in regard to the position and movements of the enemy that he could get hold of. To-morrow Gen. FITZ-JOHN PORTER is expected to testify, he having been summoned at the instance of the Court.

REBEL PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The amount of property in the District of Columbia, owned by parties engaged in the rebellion, and which is liable to confiscation, is estimated at between eight and nine millions of dollars. Although nearly a year has elapsed since the passage of a Confiscation bill, not a dollar's worth of this property has yet been confiscated, and as matters now stand, it never will be, as it is rapidly being eaten up by the agents and friends of the absent owners, by attachments levied upon it for assumed debts. In a few months, unless some proceedings are at once instituted to stop this nuisance, there will be no property left to confiscate, as it will all have passed into the possession of men who will have no difficulty in establishing their loyalty.

MILITARY BARRACKS.

Military barracks capable of accommodating 2-thousand men are to be erected on Capitol Hill. Similar barracks will also be erected near the Circle for the use of the troops doing provost duty in the city.

TO BE SENT TO THE "RIP RAPS."

About fifty prisoners confined in the Old Capitol for military offenses, by a recent order of Gen. MARSTON, are to be sent to the Rip Raps to work upon the fortifications being constructed there by the Government.

DEAD.

Capt. R. ALLEN, of the Eighth Ohio Volunteers, who was wounded in the battle of Fredericksburgh, died on Saturday at the Seminary Hospital, Georgetown.

RESIGNED.

Col. LEONARD BOYER, lately commanding the One Hundred and Fifty-second New-York Volunteers, has resigned his position and returned to his home in Herkimer County, N. Y.

PATENT OFFICE HOSPITAL VACATED.

That part of the Patent Office building, which, for some months past has been used as a military hospital, has been vacated, and the patients removed to other hospitals.

TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 19.

THE NEXT ISSUE OF TREASURY NOTES.

The joint resolution authorizing the issue of one hundred millions of United States notes became a law to-day, and upon learning that fact, the Secretary of the Treasury immediately placed to the credit of the several Paymasters an aggregate amount sufficient to pay the whole army and navy of the United States. Fifty-three Paymasters have been supplied with funds in sums ranging from fifty thousand to seven millions two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. This last-named amount was sent to CHARLES T. LANGE, Louisville, Kentucky, and $3,500,000 to N. W. BROWN, St. Louis, Mo.; $900,000 to D. H. McPHAIL, at Wheeling, and $670,000 to San Francisco; $250,000 to Indianapolis, and the same amount to St. Paul; $100,000 to Kansas; $200,000 to New-York, and the remainder of the $24,150,000 was furnished to Paymasters present. There was also paid, for the navy, $360,000.

THE RUSH ON PAPER.

The agents of paper dealers and manufacturers have been busy in attempting to influence the action of Congress against the reduction of the duty on paper. Nothing has yet transpired to encourage their hopes. The embarrassment is to publishers resulting from the imposition of extortionate prices are appreciated by many influential members of Congress, who will not fail at the proper time to urge such relief as may secure the ends of justice and honesty. The reports which have reached here that paper dealers and manufacturers are only waiting for the adjournment of Congress to increase their prices above the present figures, are believed to be true, in view of the present condition of the paper market.

AFFAIRS AT KEY WEST.

The United States gunboat *Sagamore* reports the capture, on the 5th inst., at Jasper Inlet, Fla., of the English sloop *Acorny*, of Nassau, with an assorted cargo of salt, coffee, gin and dry goods; also, of the English sloop *Julia*, of Nassau, 8th inst., loaded principally with salt.

The United States schooner *Ariel* reports the capture of the steam *Good Luck*, on the 8th inst., off the Florida Capes, loaded with turpentine and cotton.

Lieut.-Commander EGERTON, of the gunboat *Sagamore*, writes to the Navy Department, on the 8th, that he discovered two vessels apparently ashore on the reef, with signals of distress flying. Stood down for them, and found one to be the ship *Lucinda*, of New-York, laden with troops and horses. She had gone ashore the previous night, had bumped over the reef, and was inside between the north point of Loch Ease and Triumph Reef. "We went immediately to work and got her off, without injury, and she started on her course. We then bore down for the other vessel, which proved to be the ship *Sparkling Sea*, of New-York, and had on board the Twenty-fifth New-York Battery. She had run ashore at daybreak on the north point of Ajax Reef, and will probably prove a total wreck. Finding it impossible to get her off, as she was hard and fast on the reef, with four or five feet of water in the hold, I received on board the vessel the officers and men belonging to the Twenty-fifth New-York Battery, and proceeded with them to Key West, where I arrived this morning."

THE MAIL DERANGEMENTS.

The Postmaster-General, in reply to the Senate resolution relative to the mail derangements between this city and New-York, replies with accompanying letters from the Presidents of the several companies interested, that the difficulty is mainly due to the increase of travel required by the exigencies of the war. He says those companies are received upon measures to facilitate the mails at once, remove the delays consequent upon a single line of track, and greatly promote all the interests of the business community. President GARRETT complains of inadequate

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CONVERSATIONS.

The Senate, in Executive Session to-day, confirmed J. W. FRAZER RENNEBURG, of Oregon, to be Superintendent of Indian Affairs in Oregon; BENJAMIN SIMPSON, Indian Agent of same State; CLIFTON COLLAR to be Postmaster at Meadville, Penn.; BENJAMIN LOCKWOOD, Postmaster at Lansing, Mich.; HEZEKIAH NATHAN, Postmaster at Pekin, Ill.; DANIEL KELLY, Postmaster at Brattleboro, Vt.; DANIEL M. WHITNEY, Postmaster at Green Bay, Wis.; HEZEKIAH HOYT, Postmaster at St. Johnsbury, Vt.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 19.

A communication was received from the Post-office Department, in answer to the resolution inquiring into the cause of the detention of the mails between New-York and Washington, stating that the delay was caused mainly by the increased travel on account of the war, but that it would be remedied.

Mr. HARRIS, of New-York, (Rep.,) presented a petition from citizens of New-York, asking that Congress take such action as will secure to the army a suitable camp hospital and ambulance corps.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) from the Military Committee, reported a bill to provide greater comfort for sick and wounded soldiers, and to promote the efficiency of the Medical Department of the Army.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, (Rep.,) introduced a bill to amend the act to prevent members of Congress and officers of the Government taking consideration for procuring contracts, office or place.

Mr. McDOUGALL, of California, (Dem.,) offered the following concurrent resolutions:

Resolved, That the present attempt of the French Government to subjugate the Republic of Mexico is her authority by armed force, is a violation of the established rules of International law, and that it is, moreover, a violation of the faith of treaties entered by the treaty made at London on the 31st of October, 1861, between the allied Governments of Spain, France and England, and communicated to this Government over the signatures of the representatives of the allied Powers, by the letter of the 25th of November, 1861, and particularly to and positively assured to this Government through its Minister Resident at the Court of France.

Resolved further, That the attempt to subject the Republic of Mexico to French authority is an act not merely unfriendly to this Republic, but to free institutions everywhere, and is regarded as not only unfriendly, but hostile.

Resolved further, That it is the duty of this Republic to require of the Government of France that her armed forces then to be withdrawn from the Territory of Mexico.

Resolved further, That it is the duty and proper office of this Republic, now and at all times, to lend such aid to the Republic of Mexico as may be required to prevent the forcible interposition of any of the States of Europe in the political affairs of that Republic.

Resolved further, That the President of the United States cause to be communicated to the Government of Mexico the views now expressed by the two Houses of Congress, and that he be further requested to cause to be negotiated such a treaty or treaties between the two Republics as will tend to make these views effective.

On motion of Mr. McDOUGALL the resolutions were laid over until Thursday next.

Mr. HOWARD, of Michigan, (Rep.,) presented the credentials of Hon. Z. CHANDLER, reelected United States Senator from the State of Michigan for six years from the 4th of March next.

Mr. HOWARD offered a resolution directing the Military Committee to inquire whether any Quartermasters are employed in cutting the timber on the lands around the Capitol; and, if so, by virtue of what law or authority.

Mr. ARNOLD, of Rhode Island, (Rep.,) presented the joint resolution of the Legislature of Rhode Island instructing her Senators to aid the memorial of J. T. CAREY, and to aid in procuring an act for the payment of the claims of the regiment under Col. CAREY in the Revolutionary War.

On motion of Mr. TRUMBULL, of Illinois, (Rep.,) the bill reorganizing the Court of Claims was taken up.

At the expiration of the morning hour, on motion of Mr. WILSON, the bill for the discharge of State prisoners was taken up.

Mr. POWELL, of Kentucky, (Dem.,) proceeded to speak at length in answer to the speech of Mr. WILSON. He alluded to quotations from JEFFERSON as authority for the suspension of the habeas corpus and for making arrests. He contended that JEFFERSON never was in favor of arbitrary arrests. He referred to the fact that JEFFERSON, when President, and when certain arrests were made by Gen. JACKSON, sent the officials and charges to Congress, and handed the persons over to the civil authority—directly opposite to the course now taken by the President and the Administration. He referred also to the last speech made by Senator DOUGLAS, in which he said he would resist any interference with the institutions of the State; and he claimed that the Senator from Indiana had no right to quote Senator DOUGLAS as authority for imprisoning peaceful citizens in the bastiles of the country. He doubted that loyalty to the Government included loyalty to the President.

Mr. WILSON, of Indiana, (Union,) said that in time of war he believed it to be the duty of every loyal man to support the Government and give it all assistance.

Mr. POWELL said that depended on the character of the war. He believed this war was commenced to overthrow the institutions of the South, and he believed that it was overthrowing the Constitution, and he would give it neither money nor men. He confessed that the late elections in Indiana showed that the people did not agree with the Senator's sentiments. They were in favor of the Constitution and opposed to the acts of the present Administration. The people would continue to triumph, and would, at the next Presidential election, obtain possession of the Government and preserve the Constitution.

Mr. WILSON, in reply, said he did not acknowledge that Democracy as true which, in time of war, refused to aid the Government. There had been in Congress a Cautious and a Businessmen in the ranks of the Democracy; and many of the Democrats who, a year ago, were acting with the Senator from Kentucky, were now in the rebel army. He (WILSON) did not belong to that wing of the Democracy. It was the duty of every loyal Democrat to aid the Government by every means in his power in its struggle for life, and in an hour like this he could draw no distinction between the Government and those who are carrying it on, and trying to save it. Secession was the death of the nation, and any admission of that principle by so-called propositions of peace from so-called Democrats was death to the nation. Yet there were men now trying to get into political power through the misfortunes of the country. The sentiments of Senator DOUGLAS could not be mistaken, whenever declared that there could be no neutrality in this war. Men must be either friends or traitors. Would the men who represented the rebels counsel submission to them? Would they yield the Government up to the power of treason? If not, their mutterings were mere idiocy. The heroic of all this had been sounded in New-York, under the specious claim of State sovereignty. This infamous doctrine, that the State had the power to override the country in a time of war like this, must be put down, or the Government would be ruined. Men had kept still a year, until misfortune fell upon our arms, and then they came out and cried out against the war in the name of Democracy, because they thought they could gain political power; and here, to-day, a Senator had talked for an hour and a half concerning the war, and had said not one word against those rebels who were trying to break up the Government. If ever this Government fell, its death would come from traitors in the North, and it was high time that the Government took measures to defend itself against these traitors. There were fifteen thousand graves in Indiana, to-day, and she had sent one hundred thousand men to the field, and she would send one hundred thousand, and one hundred thousand, and one hundred thousand more, before the Government should fall by the hand of treason. (Applause in the gallieries.) As HAMLOAN swore his child to eternal hatred to Rome, so he was willing to swear his children to forever fight for the unity and preservation of this Government. (Applause in the galleries.)

Mr. HALE, of New-Hampshire, (Rep.,) moved to go into Executive Session, at the termination of which the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 19.

Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, (Rep.,) introduced a Bill giving aid to the State of Maryland, to secure the abolishment of Slavery. It appropriates ten millions. Referred to the Select Committee on Emancipation.

Mr. COLFAX, of Indiana, (Rep.,) introduced a bill authorizing duties on importations to be paid, if desired, by importers, in legal-tender notes, with thirty-three per cent. added. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, (Rep.,) offered a joint resolution appropriating $5,000 for the purpose of compiling a register of the whole forces of the United States. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. PERTON, of New-York, (Rep.,) the Postmaster-General was requested to communicate to the House the amount paid for the transportation of the mails from New-York to Washington for the last four years.

The Secretary of War was also requested to inform the House what sums have been paid since the breaking out of the rebellion, to the various railroad

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Committee on the subject of the military and post road between these two cities.

On motion of Mr. WASHBURNE, of Ill., (Union,) the Secretary of War was directed to inform the House why he has not responded to the resolution of the House, adopted Dec. 11, requiring information as to what regiments of volunteers have not been paid, and the other matters embraced in the resolution.

Mr. COX, of Ohio, (Dem.,) offered a resolution asking the Secretary of War what amount of revenue is derived from the hides, hoofs and tallow of the cattle slain for the army since the commencement of the rebellion, the number of the cattle slaughtered, by whom sold, whether by contract, and whether an arrangement cannot be made to increase the revenue from that source. Referred to the Committee on Contracts.

Mr. BARNES, of Michigan, (Rep.,) presented the credentials of Hon. B. ROGERS, claiming his seat as a Representative from Tennessee. Referred to the Committee on Elections.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the bill providing wage and counsel for the support of the Government.

Mr. BLAKE, of Ohio, (Rep.,) in a general discussion of the subject, said that the Government had a perfect right to exercise the power, residing with it and hitherto inert, to supply a uniform currency both to the country and people.

Mr. HOOPER, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) alluding to the former action of Congress, said the currency provided was recognized in every State. It has fulfilled every purpose for which currency was needed by the people. It was such a currency as the people were entitled to, and had a right to demand that the Government should at this time provide. The people asked for more of it, because the actual results of its use had shown that more was required for the purposes of the trade of the country, and became a further issue was necessary, and would be beneficial to the public service. The TAX bill was an successful operation, and it was believed that the revenue derived from it and from the tariff on imports would much exceed the estimate then made of one hundred and fifty millions, without operating expensively on the industrial interests of the country. One more measure was required to perfect the system, viz., a National Banking law, which would establish a uniform and secure system of banking throughout the country. He concurred in the views of the Secretary of the Treasury. The rebellion had be had offered for the bill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means would afford all the means to pay all the demands of the public service, and at the same time provide for capitalists, bankers and the people the means to present day degradation of the currency, growing out of the redundancy of the notes issued by the Treasury Department.

Mr. HORTON, of Ohio, (Rep.,) argued that there was no other mode by which money could be raised excepting on public credit. In explaining the pending propositions, he said in order to fund a large amount of debt, it was inevitable that the currency should be inflated. But the bill was calculated to prevent evil results. The Committee had made the bill as workable as possible, but would consider any suggestion in the way of improvement. He opposed the proposition of Mr. STEVENS to pay interest in paper.

Mr. WYATT, delegate from New Mexico, opposed two elements of currency. He would pay all descriptions of debts in legal tenders. He wanted no better currency than "greenbacks." If one machine would not print notes fast enough he would procure two.

Mr. GURLEY, of Ohio, (Rep.,) showed from the act of July, 1862, that the Secretary of the Treasury had power to sell the 6 per centum bonds on such terms as he should think most beneficial to the public interests, leaving him free to sell at any price.

Without concluding the question the Committee rose, and the House adjourned.

FROM THE ISTHMUS OF PANAMA.

ARRIVAL OF THE AMERICA.

The Champion on the Way, Convoyed by the Gunboat Augusta.

THE GREAT FIRE AT ASPINWALL.

The steamship *America*, JEFF. MAURY, Esq., Commander, with passengers to M. O. ROBERTS, arrived last night. She left Aspinwall on the 9th inst., in company with the steamship *Champion*, under convoy of United States gunboat *Augusta*, which separated from the *America* on the 15th inst., off Watling's Island.

On the 18th, off Hatteras, passed a United States gunboat, heading to the southward, supposed to be the *Monticello*.

The *America* has experienced heavy headwinds the entire passage. On the 16th have to fourteen hours.

On the 26th of December a most destructive fire broke out in Aspinwall, destroying over thirty buildings, including the Panama Railroad Company's office. There being no fire apparatus in the place, but little could be done toward checking the flames. The crew of the *America* were dispatched on shore, with axes and buckets, and succeeded in saving the buildings on the United States Mail Company's dock, together with a large amount of express freight.

ISTHMUS OF PANAMA.

The Great Fire in Aspinwall—All the Hotels, Railroad Office, United States Consulate, Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Office Burned—Loss $150,000.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ASPINWALL, Friday, Jan. 9, 1863.

At about 8½ o'clock on the morning of the 26th December, fire was seen issuing from the second story window of a wooden house on the main street of this city, caused by the carelessness of a woman while ironing. The flames soon communicated to the buildings on either side and in the rear, and were not stayed till one square, comprising four blocks, was destroyed, taking every building from and including the Railroad Company's office to the northward, to the extreme southerly end of the town. All the buildings on the four streets, except two, were built of wood, and were mostly poor affairs, though they brought immense rents. The whole loss is estimated, very fairly, at $150,000—although some place it as high as $200,000. Of this, the Railroad Company loses in their two buildings, (their offices and scale house,) cars, &c., $30,000; W. F. FIELD's loss in buildings, $10,000; T. R. COWAN, $6,000; WM. NOSLE, $5,000 in building and furniture. LAIRENCE & BRANNON, PEDRO COLL, E. DEGTOUREFF, JAMES P. MOORE and others, lost their whole stocks of goods.

The Howard House, kept by E. DEGTOUREFF and owned by T. R. COWAN, British Consul, with all its furniture; the St. Charles Hotel, kept by Mrs. E. L. Burns, and all the lesser hotels and lar-rooms on the street, were burned. The United States Consulate was also burned, but nearly all the books were saved, and little or nothing would have been lost from that office had it not been that many things, including all the official papers from the Departments at Washington, Ministers, Consuls and local officers, was carried off after they had been placed in an apparently secure place. The railroad company lost several flat cars loaded with coals for Panama, as also a lot of dirt cars, left on the tracks. The Royal Mail Steamship Company's coal pile took fire and burned for thirty-six hours. They lost probably 250 tons coal.

The population, mostly negro, commenced to steal in the early part of the fire, and the sailors from the foreign ships to break open boxes and barrels of liquors and to drink and fight. But just when things from these classes began to look most dangerous, a train arrived from Panama with 70 regular soldiers, and later 16 or 20 madmen reached town from the United States war steamer *Lancaster*, at Panama. The native troops behaved admirably, and soon restored order. Lieut. Brown and his marines rendered essential service, guarding all night the wharves, which were piled with goods from New-York and other points. The foreign whites also formed a guard, and patrolled the streets till morning.

There was no insurance on any of the goods or buildings burned. The Vanderbilt store-house and

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the last house on the street being taken fire in the roof.

The number of gain shanties and other of the speculative spectators, as well as contractors, and their hirelings, destroyed, no figures could announce.

Most of the traders who were so fortunate as to escape the fire, immediately seized all they could squeeze out of the poor people on their grounds, and landlords put up the prices of houses. One notable exception to this rule was W. S. JOHNSON, proprietor of the tea-house, and who had a very large stock of goods. He not only did not raise on his prices, but took the trouble to borrow stores which he hired from the Railroad Company, and to sell them out at as low prices as before the fire.

Mr. I. P. SMITH deserves great credit for saving the Wandsbeck wharf and the great pile of goods on it, for California.

Bishop VALDEZ, of Panama, has daily been hanged. He was placed on board the Bishop steamer for Callao on the 24th ult. The immediate cause of his exile was his declared determination to hold Grand Mass in the Cathedral for the soul of Gen. ANGULEZA, on Christmas, and to preach a sermon denunciatory of Gen. MOSQUERA.

The State of Panama is quiet. The Legislature is still in session in this city.

The United States frigate-steamer Lancaster and the United States sloop-of-war *St. Marys* are in Panama—the first for the South Coast in a few days.

The United States gunboat *Augusta*, Com. PARROTT, arrived here on the 31st December, to offer convoy to steamers to New-York. Finding the opposition steamer *America* waiting her passengers from San Francisco, by the *Sonoma*, Com. PARROTT determined to honor both the *America* and the *Champion* at the same time. This has necessarily detained the latter from the evening of the 8th to the present time. Capt. WINSOR notified the United States Consul here, after waiting till the 6th, that he should wait no longer, but go to sea without convoy, unless the *Augusta* would accompany him at once, upon which the *Champion* received orders not to leave the port until the gunboat should be ready. The agents of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at Panama, and Vanderbilt's agent, have protested, formally, against Mr. ROBERTS and Com. PARROTT, but these gentlemen having decided upon the proper course to pursue, the protests were of no avail. Their action, it is reported, was based upon political rather than upon commercial reasons—the Consul arguing that a million of dollars, if captured, would be too sweet a prize for JEFF. DAVIS about these days.

The British steamer *Tamar*, with dates from Bogota, Capital of the Republic, to Dec. 18, arrived at Aspinwall, from Cartagena, on the 3d. The whole Republic is quiet, with the exception of the southern frontier of the State of Cauca, where the remains of ANGULEA's force is still under arms, commanded by Gen. CAYAS. The news of ANGULEA's assassination had not reach the Capital from Cauca.

Rio Negro, a considerable town in Antioquia, near Medellin, has been designated as the place for the meeting of the National Convention, which was to have assembled on the 1st of January, but probably did not until a week or two later. The delegates from Panama left Cartagena, for Rio Negro, on the 20th ultimo.

Señor ARCHILA, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, and the most powerful man of Gen. MOSQUERA's Cabinet, has resigned. His place has not yet been filled.

The State of Bolivar, of which Cartagena is the Capital, has, as I before wrote you, passed a law forbidding National troops to be quartered within its borders. Another, decreeing that no National officers shall exercise civil authority within the State. This is "State Rights," with a vengeance. It is charged that this action is indicated by Gen. LOVEZ, and a portion of the Liberals, with a view to embarrass President MOSQUERA, and to get rid of him for some other "Liberal." But it is easy to propagate political scandal in this country, and this charge may come under that head.

The Billetes de Tesoria, (Treasury Notes,) issued by Gen. MOSQUERA, have risen from 50 cents on a dollar, the price they brought in September, to 63 and 65 cents.

One of the most illustrious men of this country, Señor LOSADA PUERO, the statesman and mathematician, died at Bogota on the 12th of December. His son is Secretary of Gen. MOSQUERA, at Washington.

Gen. FLAREZ, of Ecuador, under the apprehension that President MOSQUERA, of New-Granada, intends to make war on him, has embodied a force of 4,000 men, and marched them to a place convenient to the New-Granadian frontier, at the same time inviting MOSQUERA to a pacific arrangement.

Rev. Mr. MCLEAN, the much respected and talented American Missionary to Bogota, sails to-day, with his wife, for New-York, on the *Champion*. Mr. YORK, third mate of the American ship *Sea King*, and the only survivor, goes home also on the *Champion*.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange, JAN. 19, 1863.

$1,000 U. S. 6s '67, Reg.	94¼	200 N. Y. Cen. R.	117⅞
1,000 U. S. 6s '81 Coup.	99⅝	100 do	117⅞
2,000 do	99⅝	100 do	117⅞
10,000 do	99	100 do	117⅞
5,000 U. S. 6s '81, Reg.	99½	100 do	117⅞
2,000 U. S. 6s, 1874, Coup.	94½	200 do	117⅞
3,000 do	94½	100 do	117⅞
12,000 U. S. Tres. 7-3-10	103	100 do	117⅞
c. Notes	103	1700 Erie Railway	73
2,000 do	103	100 do	73
10,000 U. S. 6s, 1 yr. C.	99⅞	50 do	73
5,000 do	99⅞	100 do	73
15,000 U. S. 5-20's	103⅞	100 do	73
10,000 do	103⅞	200 do	73
20,000 do	103⅞	100 do	73
50,000 do	103⅞	100 Erie Railway Pref.	85⅞
1,000 Brook. City W. R.	75	100 do	85⅞
5,000 Ill. Cen. R. 6s	109	100 do	85⅞
3,000 Ind. St. 6s, W. L.	87	100 Hudson Riv. R.	68
4,000 Tenn. St. 6s '92	61⅞	200 do	68⅞
1,000 do	61⅞	100 do	68⅞
6,000 Va. St. 6s	62	100 do	68⅞
1,000 N. C. St. 6s	73½	200 Harlem R.	32
3,000 Mo. St. 6s	63	200 do	32⅞
2,000 do	63½	100 do	32⅞
1,000 do	63½	1000 do	32⅞
10,000 do	63½	100 do	32⅞
65,000 do	63	200 do	32⅞
6,000 do	63	100 Harlem R. Pref.	74
10,000 do	63½	100 do	74½
2,000 Cal. State 7s	102	100 Nor. & Wor. R.	98
10,000 Erie 6s, 2d M. B.	111½	100 Reading R. ex. div.	49
10,000 do	112	200 do	49
8,000 Erie 6s, 3d M. B.	103½	100 do	49
7,000 Bal. N. Y. & E. 1st	100	100 do	49
2,000 C., R. & Q. 1st Mor.	102	100 do	49
2,000 Mich. S. & N. I. 1st	105	100 Mich. C. R.	54
2,000 Ill. Cen. R. Bds.	111	100 do	54½
5,000 A. & T. H. 1st M.	104	200 do	54½
500 Al. & T. H. 2d Mort.	88½	100 M. S. & N. Ind. R.	44
12,000 do	88	100 do	44
2,000 Al. & T. H. Inc. B.	71	100 do	44
5,000 Ch. & R. I. 1st M.	89½	2000 do	44½
10,000 Ham. & St. Jo. Bd	69	100 do	44½
25,000 Tol. & W. 2d m.	50	100 M. S. & N. I. G. S.	101
1,000 Lack. & W. Bs.	115	200 do	101½
20,000 Mil. & M. 1st m.	105	200 do	101½
5,000 P. F. W. & C. 2d M.	52	50 Ill. Cen. R. Scrip	94
2,000 Clev. & P. 2d M.	100	200 do	94½
5,000 Cl. & Cin. 6th m.	91	100 do	94½
1,000 Chic. R. I. Con. B.	93	100 do	c. 94
10 Ocean Bank	82	4000 Clev. & Pitts. R.	90
60 Phenix Bank	80	50 do	90
25 Bank of Commerce	91⅞	50 Clev., Col. & Cin. R.	110
21 Hanover Bank	90	100 Gal. & Ch. R.	68
20 Park Bank	110	100 do	68⅞
25,000 American Gold	142	200 do	68⅞
10,000 do	140⅞	200 do	68⅞
2,000 do	140⅞	200 do	68⅞
5,000 do	140	4000 Chi. & Toledo R.	38
2,000 do	140	200 Chic. & R. I. R.	55
5,000 do	140⅞	100 do	55⅞
10,000 do	140⅞	200 do	55⅞
400 Canton Co.	34	100 do	55⅞
5 Del. & Hud. C. Co.	122½	100 do	55⅞
2400 Brunsw'k G. L. Co.	2½	200 do	55⅞
100 Cam. Coal Pref.	23½	400 do	55⅞
400 do	23	200 do	55⅞
50 Pac. Mail S. Co.	154	100 F., Ft. W. & C. R.	67
100 do	153½	200 do	67⅞
150 do	153	200 do	67⅞
50 do	153	200 do	67⅞
20 Penn. Coal Co.	132	200 do	67⅞
200 Chic., B. & Q. R.	102	50 do	68⅞
50 do	102⅞	14 Alt. & T. H. Pref.	41
25 do	104		

SECOND BOARD.

$2,000 U. S. 6s, '81, Reg.	99⅞	200 Erie Railway	77
2,000 do	99	200 do	77⅞
25,000 U. S. 6s '81 Cou.	99	500 do	77⅞
2,100 Treas. 7 3.10 N c.	103	200 do	77
Notes	103⅞	100 do	77⅞
5,000 do	103⅞	300 Erie R. Pref.	105⅞
250,000 U. S. D. W.	146	400 do	105⅞
27,000 U. S. 6s, 1 yr. C.	99⅞	100 do	105⅞
10,000 Tenn St. 6s, '90	62	100 Hud. Riv. R.	68⅞
10,000 do	62⅞	200 do	68⅞
20,000 Mo. St. 6s	63	1300 Harlem Railroad	32⅞
2,000 Mo. St. 1s in H. B.		200 do	32⅞
St. J. R.	55	100 Harlem R. Pref.	74⅞
6,000 Ill. Cen. Bs, '79	110	100 do	74⅞
10,000 Cal. State 7s	102	100 do	74⅞
5,000 Mich. Cen. 1st Ch.		100 Reading R.	49
123 M. S. P. Ns	126	100 Michigan Cen. R.	54
200 Cle. & Pitts. 4th M.	93½	150 do	54⅞
6,000 B., N. Y. & E. 1st M.	100	200 do	54⅞

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$1,000 U. S. 6s, '81, Reg.	99⅞	100 M. S. & N. I. G.	101⅞
1,000 U. S. 6s '81 Cou.	99⅞	100 do	101⅞
2,000 do	99⅞	100 do	101⅞
2,000 do	99⅞	100 do	101⅞
2,000 do